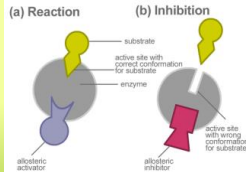
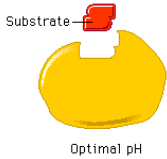
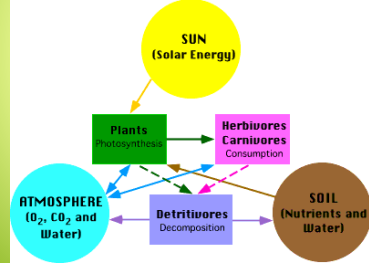


3.3 Environmental Impacts on Enzyme Function



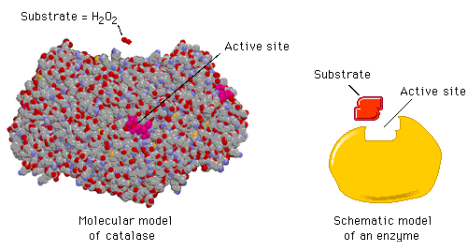
ENDURING UNDERSTANDING

ENE-1 The highly complex organization of living systems requires constant input of energy and the exchange of macromolecules



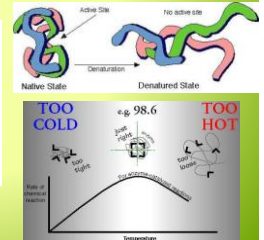
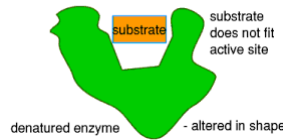
ENE-1.F Explain how changes to the structure of an enzyme may affect its function.

- Change to the molecular structure of a component in an enzymatic system may result in a change of the function or efficiency of the system



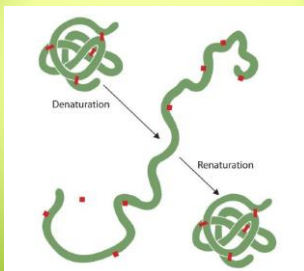
ENE-1.F Explain how changes to the structure of an enzyme may affect its function.

- Denaturation of an enzyme occurs when the protein structure is disrupted, eliminating the ability to catalyze reactions.
- Environmental temperatures and pH outside the optimal range for a given enzyme will cause changes to its structure, altering the efficiency with which it catalyzes reactions.



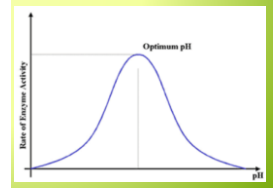
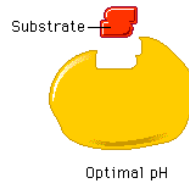
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- In some cases, enzyme denaturation is reversible, allowing the enzyme to regain activity.



ENE-1.G Explain how the cellular environment affects enzyme activity.

- Environmental pH can alter the efficiency of enzyme activity, including through disruption of hydrogen bonds that provide enzyme structure.
 - Each enzyme has optimal pH that maintains its normal configuration.
 - A change in pH alters ionization of side chains, eventually resulting in denaturation.
 - Optimal in humans is pH 6-8



ENE-1.G Explain how the cellular environment affects enzyme activity.

☐ RELEVANT EQUATION

$pH = -\log[H^+]$

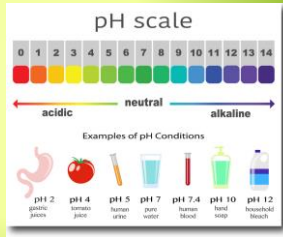
Sample calculation

Lets say that the $[H^+]$ value is .0001

To calculate the pH, you use the formula $-\log[H^+] = pH$

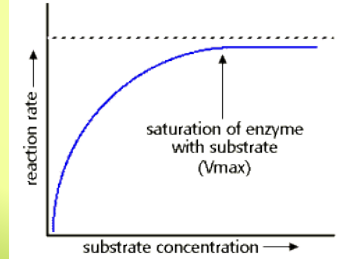
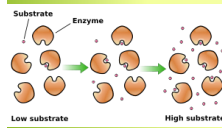
So, $-\log(.0001) = 4$

This means the pH of the solution is 4



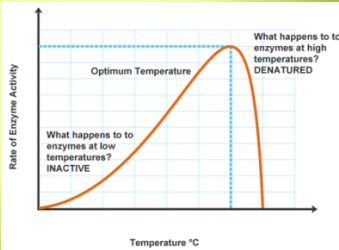
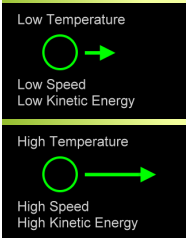
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☐ The relative concentrations of substrates and products determine how efficiently an enzymatic reaction proceeds.



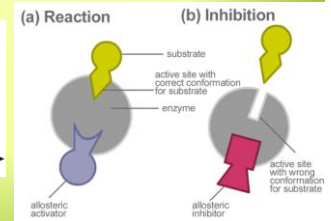
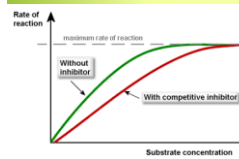
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☐ Higher environmental temperatures increase the speed of movement of molecules in a solution, increasing the frequency of collisions between enzymes and substrates and therefore increasing the rate of reaction.



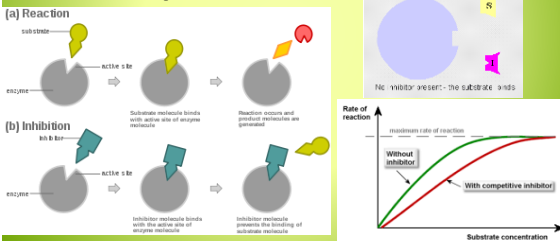
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☐ Competitive inhibitor molecules can bind reversibly or irreversibly to the active site of the enzyme. Noncompetitive inhibitors can bind allosteric sites, changing the activity of the enzyme.



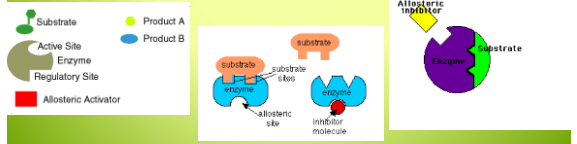
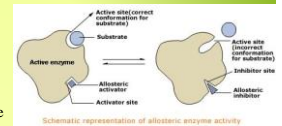
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- Competitive Inhibition
 - Another molecule is similar to enzyme's substrate
 - Competes with substrate for enzyme's active site
 - Decreases product formation rate.



ENE-1.G Explain how the cellular environment affects enzyme activity.

- Allosteric Interactions
 - Noncompetitive Inhibition
 - A molecule binds to an allosteric site (a site other than active site)
 - Changes the three-dimensional structure of the enzyme
 - Cannot bind to its substrate.
 - Allosteric Activation



ENE-1.G Explain how the cellular environment affects enzyme activity.

- Feedback Inhibition
 - Regulates activity of most enzymes
 - Product binds to enzyme's active or allosteric site
 - Concentrations of products can be kept within narrow ranges.

