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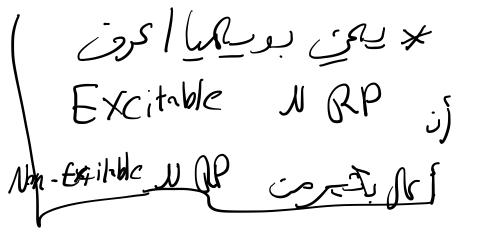
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Lecture objectives

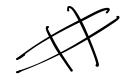
- Define the resting membrane
- Review the different types of ionic channels in the cell membrane
- Understand ionic basis of resting potential by applying the concept of diffusion potential
- Describe the relation between the resting membrane potentials and K and Na equilibrium potentials
- Describe the contribution of Na-K ATPase pump to the resting potential
- Know the resting membrane of different cell types including neurons, muscle cells (Excitable Tissues)and other cell types of the body
- Describe the effects of hypokalemia, hyperkalemia and hypocalcemia on resting membrane potentails of excitable cells

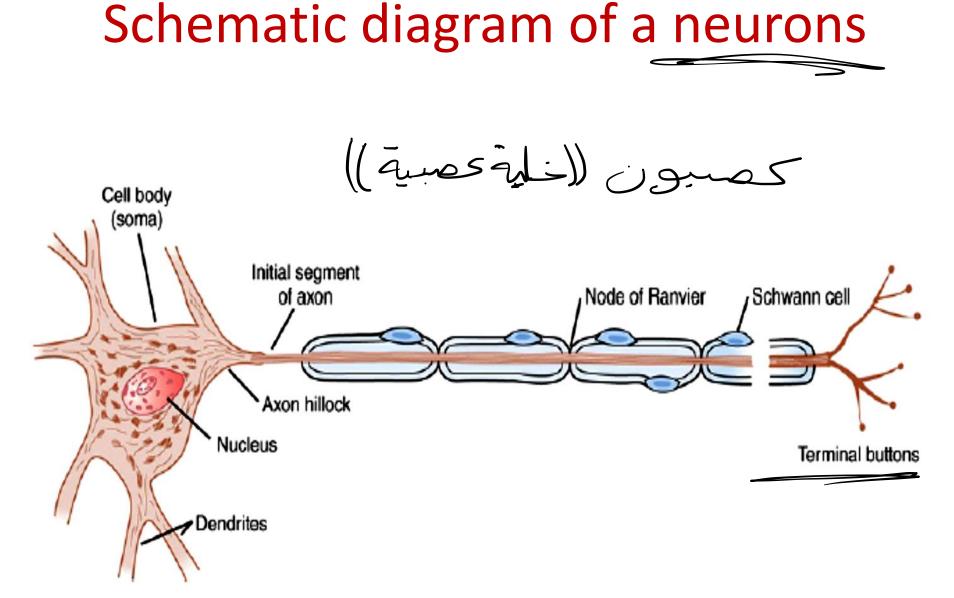
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Excitable tissues and none excitable tissue



- All cells have resting potential
- None excitable cells like RBC Epithelial cells in the kidney tubules in the gut have lower resring potential the excitable cells
- Excitable tissues include nerve cells and muscle cells . Usually have higher resting potential compared to none excitable cells . Excitable cells such as nerves and muscles have the ability to generate signals(action potential) that may be quickly transmitted to other nerve cells or muscle cells





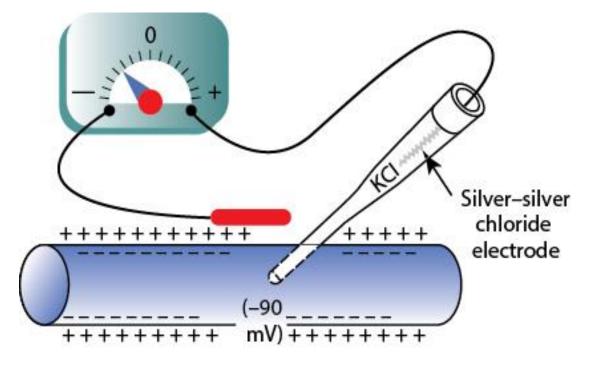


Measurement of Resting Membrane Potential (RMP)

RMP is a <u>potential difference</u> across biological membranes, and it reflects the separation of charges across the membrane.) There are a few excess negative charges (about 1 pmol/cm2) on the inner surface and the same number of excess positive charges on the outer surface

The resting membrane potential measured when the cell is at rest—that is, not active Different cells have different resting potentials.

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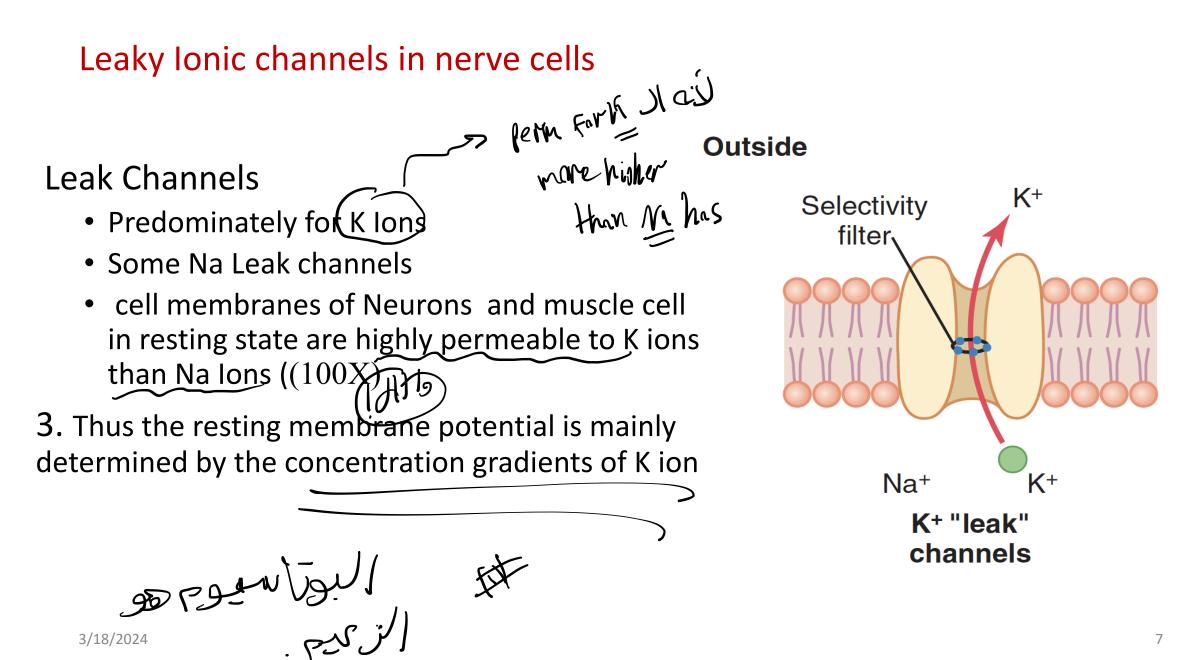
Resting Membrane Potential of Different cell

Cell types ~

Skeletal muscle fibers Smooth muscle fibers Astrocytes Neurons Erythrocytes Photoreceptor cells

Resting potential

-85 to 95 mV -50 to -60 mV -80 to -90 mV -60 to -70 mV -8 to -12 mV -40 mV (dark) to -70 mV (light)



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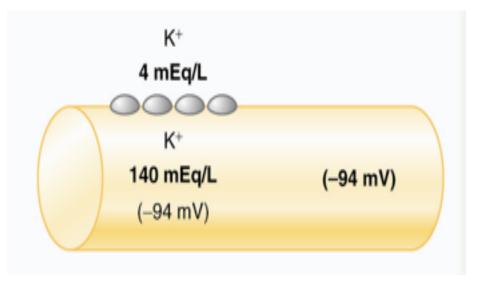
Origin of Resting Membrane Potential of Neurons

RMP =-90 *mV*

<u>Contribution of K Diffusion Through the Nerve</u> <u>Membrane</u>

Concentration difference $35: 1 \rightarrow K+$ Nernst potential =-94 mV

If K+ ion concentration and permeability were the only factors causing RMP \rightarrow RMP inside the fibber would be equal to -94 millivolts and will be equal to the Nerst potential of K ions



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Effects of disturbances of ionic concentration in the ECF on RMP

- Hyperkalemia: The cell membrane depolarize, (becomes less negative) and the resting potential moves closer to the threshold for eliciting an action potential and the neuron becomes more excitable
- When the K concentration reaches 7 mEq/L can lead to significant hemodynamic and neurologic consequences; levels exceeding 8.5 mEq/L can cause respiratory paralysis or disturbance in heart rhythm and cardiac arrest and can quickly be fata.
- Hyporkalemia If the extracellular level of K+ is decreased (hypokalemia), the membrane potential becomes is reduced (becomes more negative) and the neuron or muscles cells are hyperpolarized Changes in ECG are also expected during hypokalemia

Effects of hypocalcemia

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 A decrease in extracellular Ca2+ concentration increases the excitability of nerve and muscle cells(membrane destabilization) and may lead to hypo calcemic tetany

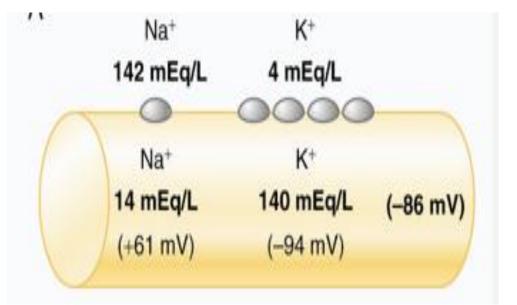
Origin of Resting Membrane Potential of Neurons

RMP = -90 mV

Contribution of Na Diffusion Through the Nerve Membrane

Concentration difference $10:1 \rightarrow Na+Nernst$ potential =+61 mV

Slight permeability of the nerve membrane to $Na+\rightarrow$ minute diffusion of Na Therefore, According to Goldman equation \rightarrow RMP = -86/ mV \rightarrow close to K potential but not equal to the equilibrium



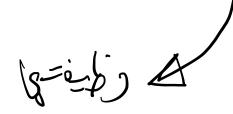
Active Transport of Na⁺ and K⁺

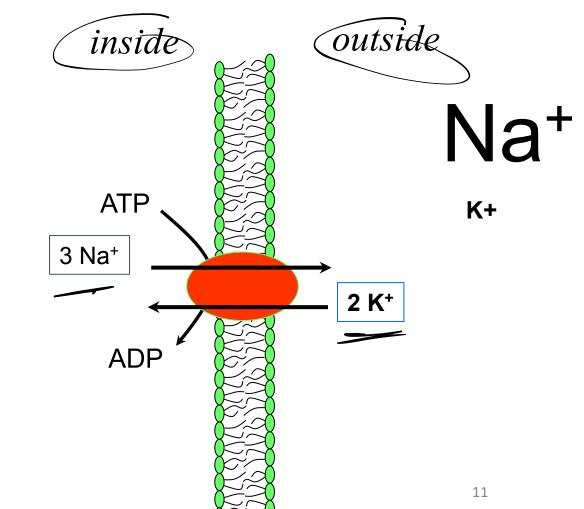
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Na+

Electrogenic pump

More positive charges are pumped to the outside than to the inside \rightarrow causing **negative** potential inside the cell membrane. Causes **large concentration gradients** for Na & K across the resting nerve membrane.



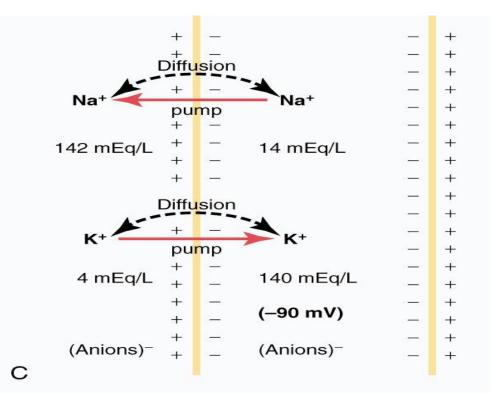


Origin of Resting Membrane Potential of Neurons

RMP = -90 mV

Contribution of the Na+-K+ Pump

Creating additional degree of negativity (about -4) millivolts \checkmark additional) \rightarrow (-86+-4=-90 mV)



The Resting Membrane Potential Summary

- Membrane potentials are generated mainly by diffusion of ions) and are determined by
 - the ionic concentration differences across the membrane, and (). ()
 - the membrane's relative permeabilities to different ions. N

Plasma-membrane Na, K-ATPase pumps maintain intracellular sodium concentration low and potassium high.

- In almost all resting cells, the plasma membrane is much more permeable to potassium than to sodium, so the membrane potential is close to the potassium equilibrium potential—that is, the inside is negative relative to the outside.
- The Na,K-ATPase pumps also contribute directly a small component of the potential because they are electrogenic.

Net Driving Force on lons across the cell membrane

- When multiple ions contribute to membrane potential (Vm) of a cell → membrane potential would **not** be at the equilibrium potential (Veq.) for any of the contributing ions. Thus, no ion would be at its equilibrium (i.e., Veq. ≠ Vm).
- i.e. chemical and electrical forces acting on K+, Na+, and Cl− are not equal → electrochemical driving force (VDF) acts on the ion, causing the net movement of the ion across the membrane down its own electrochemical gradient.

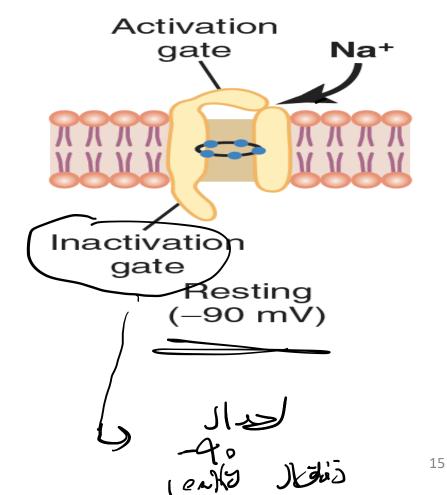
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Voltage-Gated Na Channel in neuronal cell membranes Activation and Inactivation of the Voltage-Gated Na Channel

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inactivation gate → near the inside of the channel

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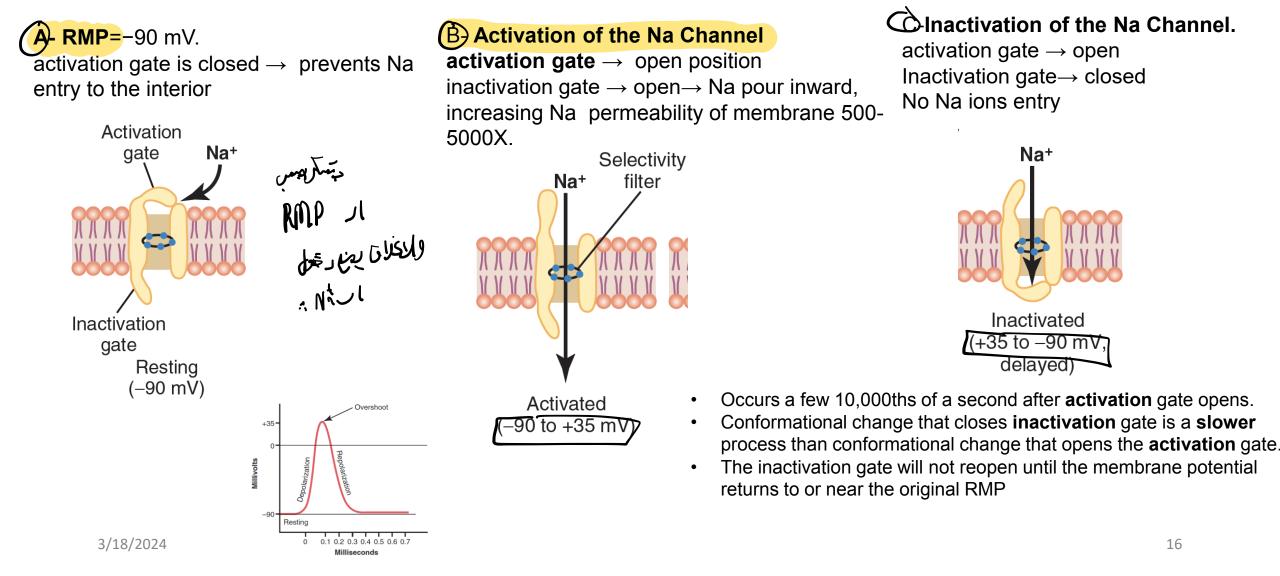
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Activation and Inactivation of the Voltage-Gated Na Channel

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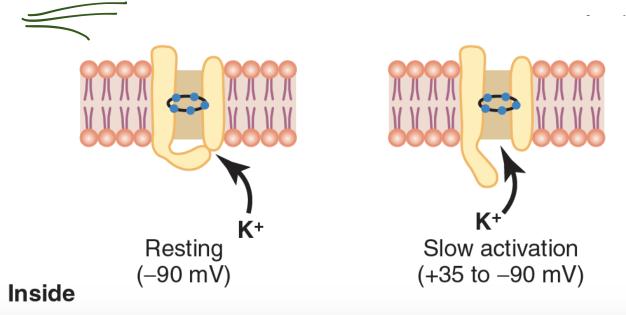
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Voltage-Gated K Channel and Its Activation

two states: A- during the resting state \rightarrow Closed B-Activation state \rightarrow opened \rightarrow K diffusion **outward**

Opens just at the same time that the Na channels are beginning to **close** $\rightarrow \downarrow$ Na entry & \uparrow K exit \rightarrow recovery of RMP within another few 10,000ths of a second.

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