Chapter 8-2: Photosynthesis: An Overview Essential Questions:

- What is the overall equation for photosynthesis?
- What is the role of light & chlorophyll in photosynthesis?
- What happens in the light-dependent reactions?
- What happens in the Calvin cycle?

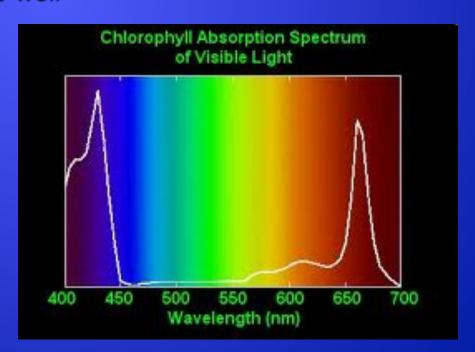
- The Photosynthesis equation
 - Words:

(light)

Carbon dioxide + water → glucose + oxygen

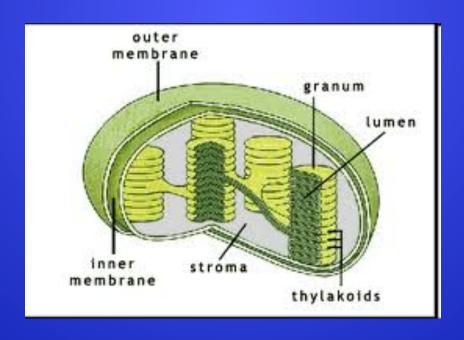
- Chem. Formula

- Light & pigments
 - Chlorophyll is main pigment
 - Absorbs red & blue well
 - Reflects green

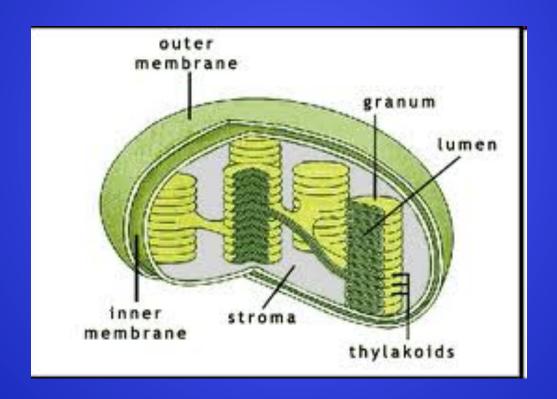


Chapter 8-3: The Reactions of Photosynthesis

- Inside a chloroplast
 - Thylakoids photosynthetic membranes stacked in grana (singular: granum)

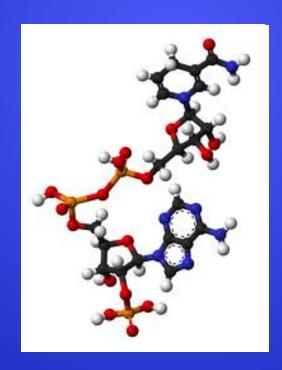


- 2 stages of photosynthesis
 - Light dependent: happens in thylakoids
 - Light independent: happens in stroma (outside thylakoids)

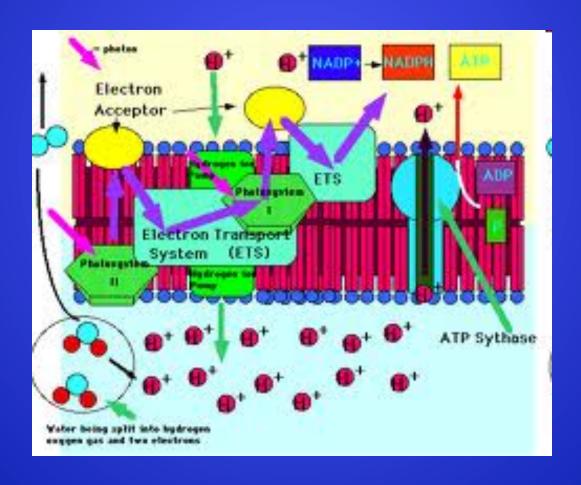


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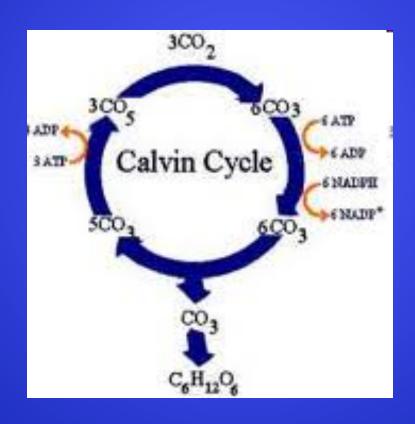
- NADP⁺ is a carrier molecule for high-energy electrons and an H⁺ ion
- It becomes NADPH –this traps energy into a chemical form



- Light-dependent reactions
 - Produce O₂ and convert ADP and NADP⁺ into energy carriers ATP and NADPH



- The Calvin Cycle
 - Light independent reactions use ATP and NADPH to produce high-energy sugars



Factors affecting photosynthesis

- Light intensity
- Amount of water
- Temperature

