

# ***Homeostasis***

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## Lecture 1:

- Structure = Function
- Concentration Gradients
- Physiology
  - Cells
  - Tissues
  - Organs
  - Organ Systems
  - Organism

## Lecture 2:

- Mammalian Temperature Control System

## Lecture 3:

- Blood Glucose
- Altered Blood Glucose, Hormones, & Homeostasis
- Diabetes Mellitus ( Sweet Urination)
- Paradox found in Diabetes
- Water Homeostasis

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# Lecture 1: Introduction to Physiology & Homeostasis

Anatomy: Study of Structure

Physiology: Study of function

Structure = function

(ex: Michael Phelps swimming)  
Cells

STRUCTURE / function relationship between epithelial tissues stratified squamous (protective)

- Multi-layered w/ overlapping cells
- High degree of regenerative capacity
- Protective, barrier function
- found in surface of skin, parts of GI tract

SKIN		lungs (alveolar)
function	barrier	easy gas exchange
structure	multiple layers	1 layer very little matrix

STRUCTURE / function relationship between epithelial tissues Simple Squamous (exchange)

- thin cells, relatively leaky junctions between cells
- ideal for exchange
- live blood vessels  $\rightarrow$  lung alveolar cells

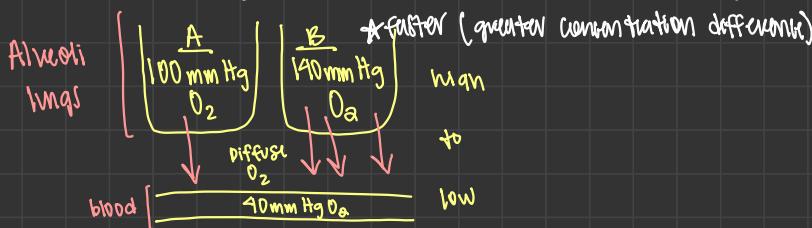
Concentration Gradients

- naturally go high to low concentration

[high]  $\searrow$  energy  
[low]

② respiratory system (high to low w/ tissues)

- $O_2$  moves from atmosphere to cells down its concentration gradient
- $P_{O_2}$  in atmosphere around 100mm Hg; moves into alveoli
- $P_{O_2}$  in alveoli equilibrates at around 100mm Hg



## physiology

- Cells
- Tissues
- Organs
- Organ systems
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## Cells

- basic unit of life
- collection of molecules separated from external environment by cell membrane

## Tissue: Epithelia

- made up of different cells
- epithelial cells attach to the basal lamina using adhesion molecules
- Basal lamina is an acellular matrix layer that is secreted by the epithelial cells

## Organs

- collection of tissues that carries out related functions

### (ex) Skin

- largest organ of the body
- organ made of different types of tissues

## Organ Systems

- groups of organs that function together

### 1. Integumentary system:

- Skin
- protective boundary between internal & external environment

### 2. Musculoskeletal system

- support and movement

### 3. Respiratory system

- Gas exchange

### 4. Digestive system

- Uptake of nutrients & water & waste elimination

### 5. Urinary system

- Waste & excess liquid disposal

## 6. Reproductive System

- production of eggs & sperm

## 7. Circulatory System

- heart & blood vessels
- deliver nutrients & carry waste from every cell in the body

## 8. Nervous System

- brain, spinal cord, & trillions of nerve cells
- designed for rapid control of body functions

## 9. Endocrine System

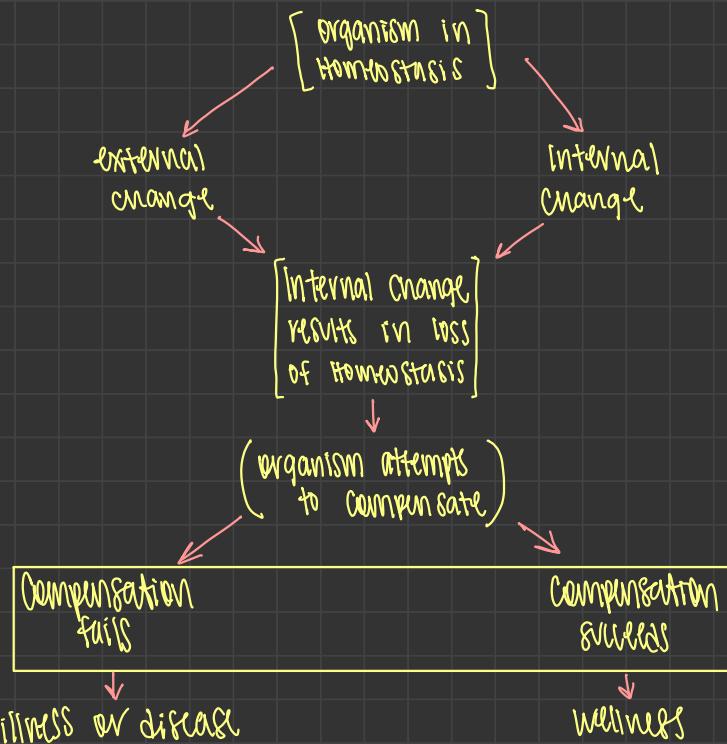
- hormone - secreting glands
- designed for slower, longer-lasting control of body functions

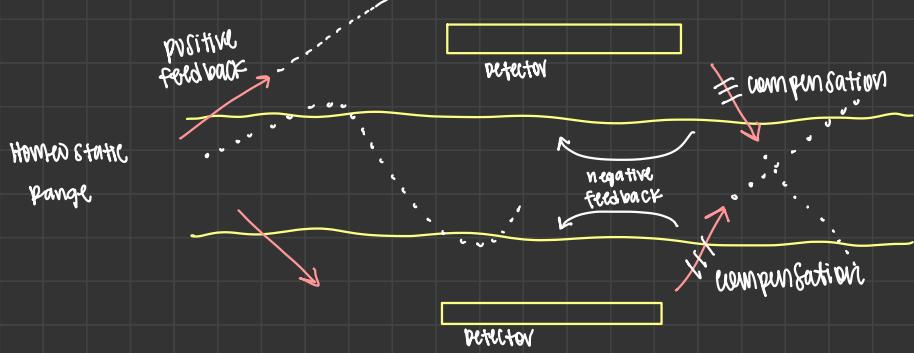
## 10. Immune System

- body's defense system

How have we evolved to survive in a hostile environment?

- homeostasis





### - Negative feedback

- Body compensates to change
- shifts down response

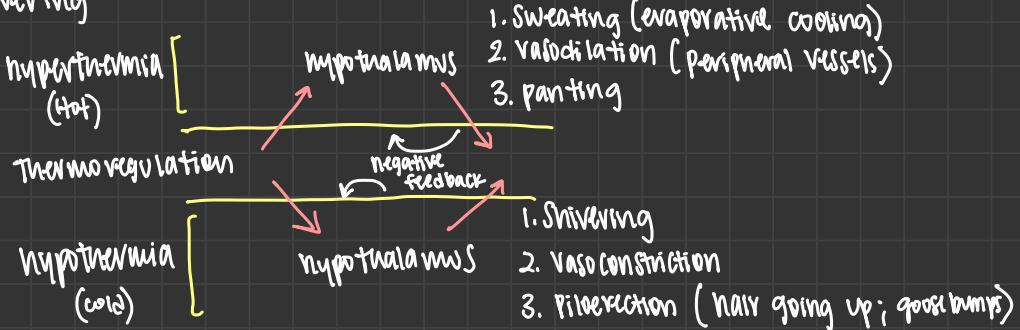
### - Positive feedback

- not homeostasis
- ex) having a baby ♂ blood Clots

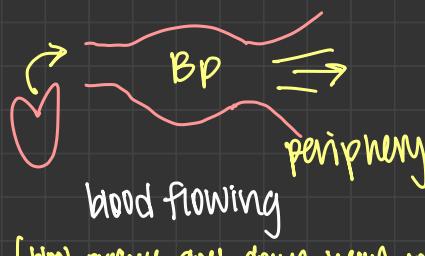
# Lecture 2: Homeostasis II

## Mammalian temperature control system

- Hypothalamus
  - contains thermoregulatory sensors which cool-sensors are activated, will cause warming processes
- Vasoconstriction of peripheral vessels
- piloerection
- shivering



hypothermia  
↓  
compensation  
↓  
blood pressure?  
↳ heart rate?  
↳ BP ↓ (decrease)  
↳ ↑ (increase)



(blood pressure goes down, heart compensates by increasing pump)

hypothermia  
↓  
vasodilation  
↓ overcompensation  
↓ blood pressure  
↓  
↑ heart rate ↗ may cause tachycardia

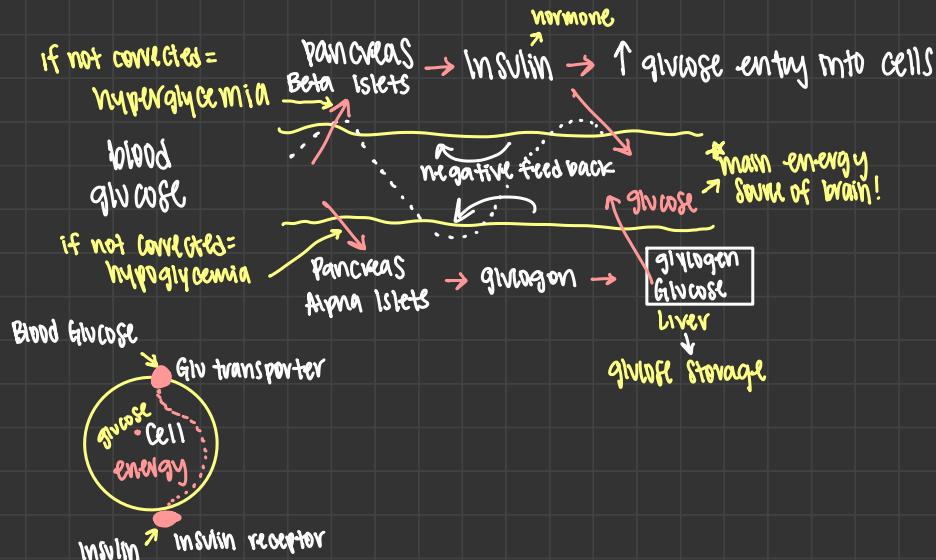
# Lecture 3: Homeostasis III

## Blood Glucose

Stimulus: Increase in blood glucose

Reaction: Pancreas produces insulin; insulin promotes decrease in blood glucose.

Negative feedback results in: decreases insulin release



Stimulus: Decrease in blood glucose

Reaction: Pancreas produces glucagon; glucagon promotes increase in blood glucose

Negative feedback results in: decreases glucagon release

## Altered blood glucose, hormones, & homeostasis

- Relative levels of blood glucose, insulin, & glucagon can be used to distinguish between different abnormalities using concepts of homeostasis & compensation.
- These include:
  - Type I Diabetes
  - Type II Diabetes
  - Destruction of either alpha or beta islets
  - Endocrine tumors affecting either alpha or beta islets.

## ENDOCRINE TUMORS

- Over production of hormones
- Do not respond effectively to negative feedback

## Endocrine destruction

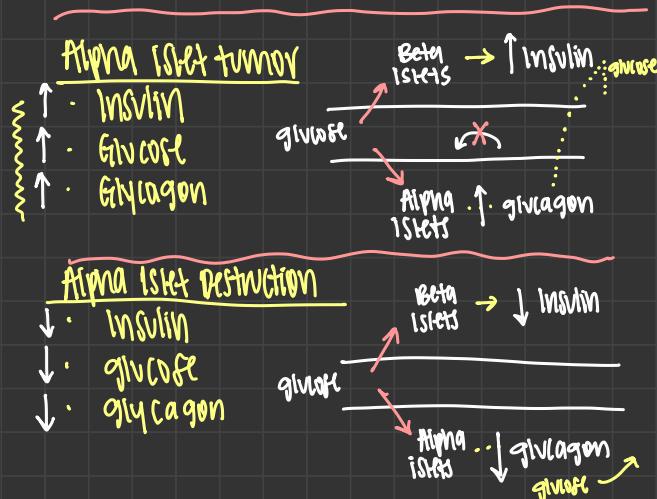
- Under production of hormones
- Do not respond effectively to stimulation



Alpha islet destruction vs. Alpha islet tumor

What would the levels be for?

- blood glucose
- insulin
- glucagon



## Diabetes Mellitus (Sweet urination)

### Type I: Auto-immune destruction of $\beta$ -islet cells of pancreas:

- no insulin uptake by cells: less glucose taken in
- Juvenile - onset diabetes this class
- insulin - dependent treatments
- Prone to ketoacidosis due to buildup of ketone bodies in blood to try to feed brain

### Type II: Cells unable to respond to insulin; insulin - resistant

- Actually often have elevated insulin levels in early stages
- Accounts for 90% of cases

### Type I diabetes

- ↓ insulin
- ↑ glucose
- ↑ glucagon

### Type II diabetes

- ↑ insulin
- ↑ glucose
- ↑ glucagon

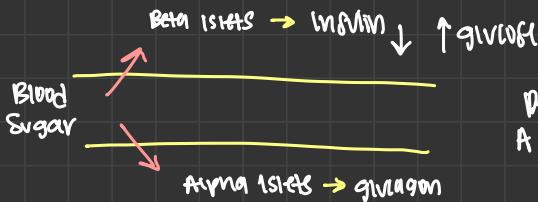
↑ Hyperglycemia

→ insulin receptor becomes non-responsive

filtered blood glucose, hormones, & homeostasis: Paradox found in Diabetes

Type I:

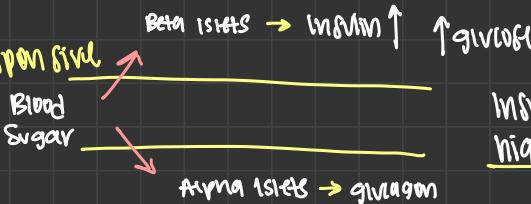
↓ insulin  
↑ glucagon



Destruction of  $\beta$ -islets = low insulin  
A lack of insulin = high blood glucose

Type II:

↑ insulin: non responsive  
↑ glucagon



insulin resistance = high blood glucose  
high blood glucose stimulates increase in insulin to attempt to lower blood glucose

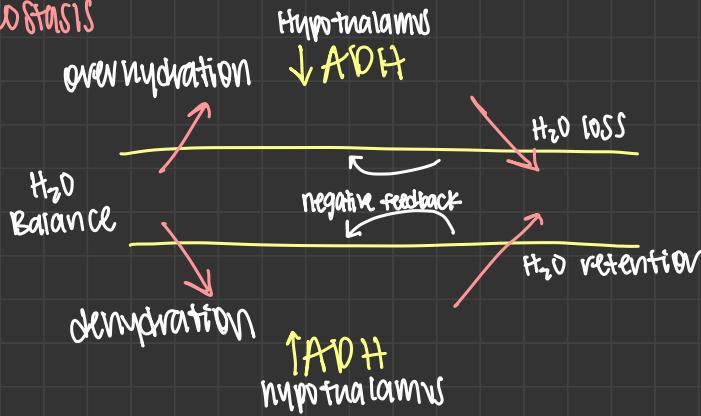


↑ insulin = ↓ Glucagon

Diabetes & Glucagon: The paradox

- While glucose levels regulate glucagon production (triggered by low glucose), insulin also inhibits glucagon production.
- So loss of insulin (Type I diabetes) or insulin resistance (Type II diabetes) results in less inhibition therefore more glucagon... exasperating problem!

Water Homeostasis



ADH = Anti-Diuretic Hormone

H<sub>2</sub>O Balance → Hydration

- BP?
- Salt (electrolytes)  
i.e.: Na<sup>+</sup> Ca<sup>2+</sup> Cl<sup>-</sup>

Dehydration

↑ ADH = ↑ H<sub>2</sub>O retention

Perfect DRINK

(margarita)

- Alcohol  $\leftrightarrow$  Salt
- losing water
- helping retain water
- makes you crave salty foods

Overhydration

↓ ADH = ↑ H<sub>2</sub>O loss

Salt

- ↑ H<sub>2</sub>O retention
- ↑ ADH release

Alcohol (diuretic)

- ↑ H<sub>2</sub>O loss
- mechanism ↓
- inhibits ADH