



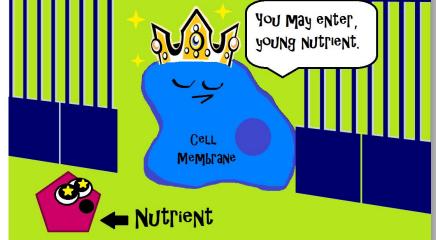
How do different substances get into or out of a cell?



Cell Membranes - the border police

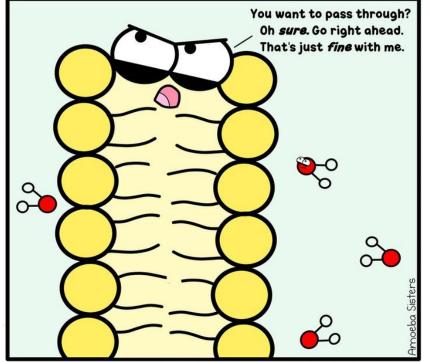
Cell membranes are in charge of maintaining **homeostasis** in the cell by keeping the internal conditions relatively constant.

It does this by **controlling the movement of molecules** from one side of the membrane to the other.



Cell Membrane: a phospho-lipid bilayer

Paramecium Parlor



Semipermeable membranes: putting the "passive" in passive transport.

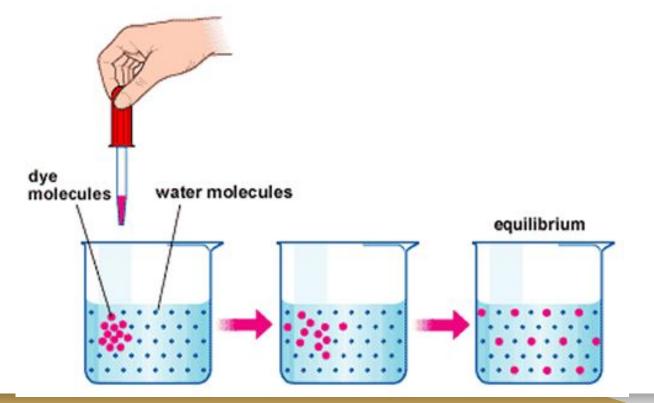
• 2 layers of lipids: water loving on the outside, water-hating in the middle • Small, non-charged particles can dissolve into the lipids and pass through Cell membranes have

protein "channels" for

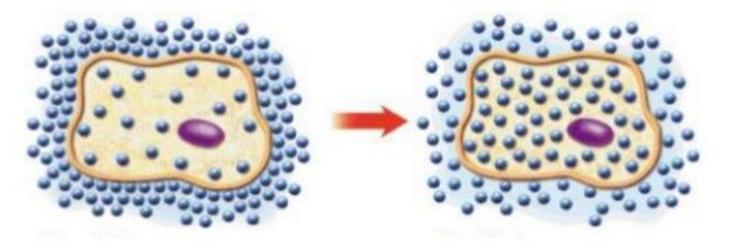
other molecules, like water

OFFUSION

particles in regions of high concentration spread out into regions of low concentration, filling the space available to them **<u>Diffusion</u>** = particles move from areas of high concentration to areas of lower concentration



Diffusion Across Cell Membranes



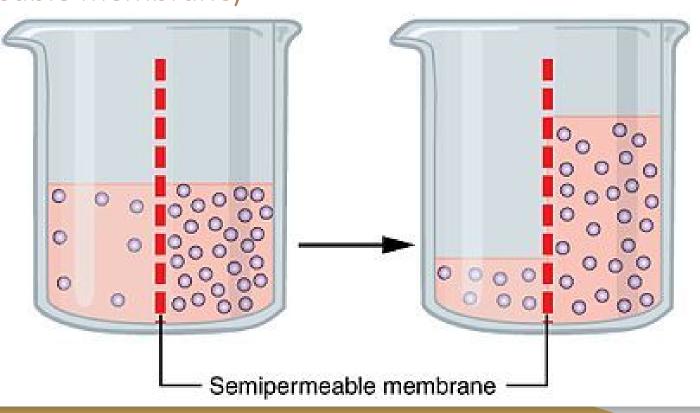
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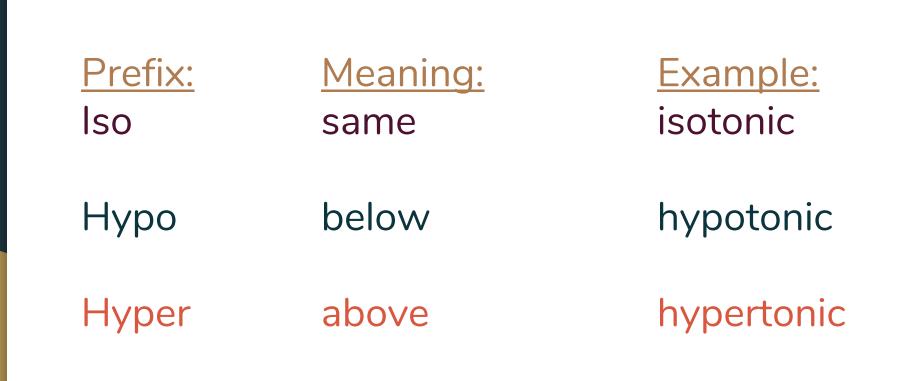
AFTER DIFFUSION

**if something can spread out, it will!*

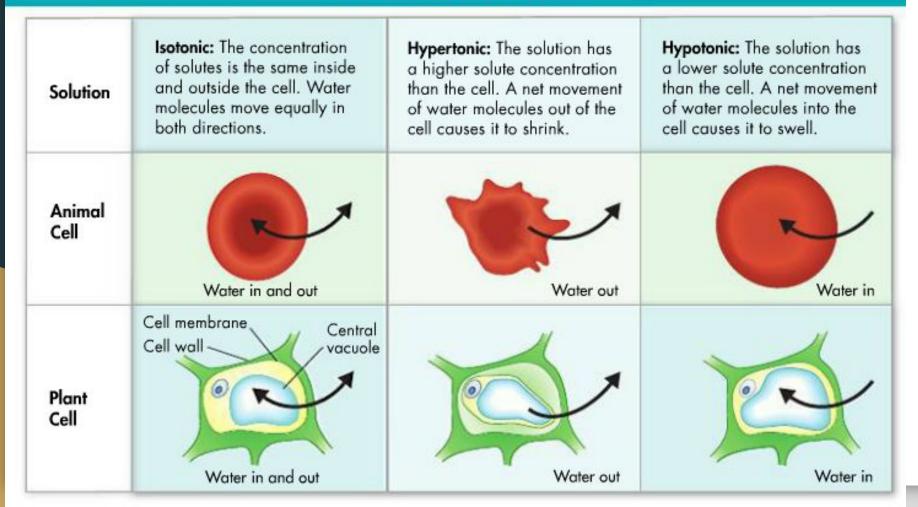
Lakshmi Sharma Diffusion - Cell membranes and Transport

<u>**Osmosis = Diffusion of water**</u> (through a selectively permeable membrane)





The Effects of Osmosis on Cells



Keepers of the Gate: Design Challenge

You are spending Thanksgiving at your

Grandmother's house when your throat starts to feel sore. Your grandma tells you to gargle with salt water and it will feel much better. Thinking this is an old wive's tale, you scoff, but when you try it later that night it works! Why?