Mechanism of muscle contraction



Classification of Muscle Tissue

Functionally

- Skeletal Muscle
- Cardiac Muscle
- Smooth Muscle





- <u>Appearance</u>
- Striated
- Nonstriated

Skeletal Muscle fiber

- Long cylindrical cells
- Many nuclei per cell
- Striated
- Voluntary
- Rapid contractions



Cardiac Muscle

- Branching cells
- One or two nuclei per cell
- Striated
- Involuntary
- Medium speed contractions
- Forms syncitium.



Atrial musculature

Smooth Muscle

- Spindle shaped cells
- One nucleus per cell
- Nonstriated
- Involuntary





Structure of Skeletal Muscle: Connective Tissue Covering

- Muscle- Epimysium
- Fasciculus Perimysium
- Muscle fibers- Endomysium/

sarcolemma

Muscle bundle consists of many muscle fibers.







Structure of muscle fiber

- Muscle fiber- 10 to 80µ in diameter each is composed of 1000s of myofibrils
- Each **myofibril** is in turn made up of myofilaments
- Myofilaments

(i) contractile- myosin , actin(ii) modulatory- tropomyosin,troponin



Structure of Sarcomere

• Sarcomere- structural and functional unit of muscle fiber.



Distance between two Z lines





Actin Filaments are attached to Z line

• Myosin filaments are attached to Z line by Titin

Structure of Sarcomere

- Light band- Isotropic band-I band (J band) - only thin filaments
- Dark band- Anisotropic band- A band (Q band)
- overlapping of thin & thick filaments



- H zone (Henson's zone) lighter zone in A band
- here thin filaments do not overlap thick filaments
- Z line (Zwischenscheibe)- in the center of I band
 - Dobie's line/ Krause membrane





M line- in the center of A band



Myofilaments- thick & thin filaments

• **MYOFILAMENTS** – are protein microfilaments of sarcomere.



Myofilaments

- Contractile proteins : Actin, Myosin
- Regulatory Proteins: Troponin, Tropomyosin
- Structural Proteins: Myomesin, Dystrophin







•<u>Thin Filaments</u>

300- 400 Actin molecules in double helixEach Actin molecule has a binding site for Myosin head(called actin active sites)

- G actin monomeric globular structure
- Factin polymeric fibrous structure





- **<u>Tropomyosin</u>** long protein filaments that cover active sites of actin from Myosin head.
- At rest Tropomyosin prevents muscle contraction





Troponin – Trimeric protein

located at intervals on tropomyosin
made of 3 protein subunits (TnI, TnC & TnT)



• Troponin I – binds the C & T subunits

Troponin T - Binds Troponin to **Tropomyosin**

Troponin C – Binds to **calcium**





Myofilaments

Structural Proteins: Myomesin, Dystrophin





• Network of Transverse and Longitudinal tubules present in sarcoplasm in close approximation to sarcomere.



T-tubule

 inward extension of sarcolemma

- Sarcolemma Sarcoplasmic reticulum Terminal cisternae T-tubule
- opens to exterior contains ECF
- run transverse to myofibrils
- Transmission action potential to myofibrils





L-tubule

- sarcoplasmic reticulum
- run parallel to myofibrils
- -terminates in dialated terminal cisternae
- Function: stores calcium ions





When a muscle is stimulated signals are carried to each myofibril by T- tubule

• T- tublue inturn stimulates L-tubule to release Calcium ions



- two terminal cisternae abutting a T-tubule.

Dyad in cardio myocyte









Function of sarcotubular system











NIV

Calcium Ions bind with C unit of Troponoin and initiates muscle contraction


Mechanism of Muscle contraction



Is explained by Sliding Filament Theory





- Andrew Huxley
- Ralph Niedergerke
- Hugh Huxley
- Jean Hanson

(1954)





• Neuromuscular junction

• Junction between nerve fibe and muscle fiber.



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Neural signals/ Action potential moves down from the site of stimulation





Neuromuscular Transmission – Pre – synaptic Events Axon of motor neuron **Arrival of AP at Axon** Action potentia terminal **Mvelin sheath** Axon Termina Axon terminal Voltage-gated calcium channel Terminal button Ca2+ influx into axon Vesicle of acetylcholine terminal Voltage-gated Na⁺ channel Plasma membrane Muscle fiber of muscle fiber Acetylcholine receptor s Ca2+ mediated exocytosis of Acetvlcholinesterase Chemically gated cation channel vesicles & Acetylcholine release Motor end plate

Neuromuscular Transmission – Pre – synaptic Events













EXCITATION CONTRACTION COUPLING

- AP in sarcolemma
- Spreads along T tubules into interior of myofibril.
- AP spreads to L tubule
- Via a protein -dystrophin
- Ca2+ released into sarcoplasm





Calcium Activation of Contraction



- Ca² binds to troponin C (TnC), the calcium-binding subunit of the troponin molecule.
- protein found on the thin filament.



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- When calcium binds to **TnC**,
- **tropomyosin** shifts away from active sites of actin.





- Cross bridge cycle starts
- Binding of myosin head to actin
- Energy (ATP) dependent process.





•Myosin head energized and attaches to exposed actin Power stroke



- Attachment of ATP to Myosin head
- Cross bridge detachment



Sliding of Thin filament over thick filament

• Actin filament pulled to center

 After contraction width of A band remains
<u>constant</u> but Z lines moves closer.



 Complete contraction of the muscle cross bridge cycles should repeat for 5 – 6 times







Muscle Relaxation



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Steps in muscle relaxation

- <u>Synaptic cleft</u>
- gap between terminal button and muscle fiber
- 50 100 nm wide space
- Contains enzyme cholinesterase which can destroy Ach neurotransmitter
- **STOPS** Action Poptential



ca²⁺ pumped back into
L - tubule



 ca²⁺ binds to calcium binding protein

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Smooth muscle contraction







Sliding of Thin filament over thick filament

Types of muscle contraction



Isotonic Contraction

- Tension remains same
- Change in length
- External work is done
- <u>Ex:</u>
- Contraction of leg muscles in walking, running.
- Contraction while lifting weight



Isometric Contraction

- Length remains same
- Tension increases
- No external work done
- <u>Ex;</u>
- Contraction of muscles in maintaining posture
- Contraction of arm muscles while pushing wall



Isotonic Vs Isometric

Isotonic Exercise

- Walking, Swimming,
- Wt lifting, Cycling
- Push ups, Pull ups
- Isometric Exercise
- Pushing against wall



Energy Source in Exercise



Aerobic Vs Anaerobic

- <u>Aerobic Exercise</u> :
- Rhythmic activity sustained for long duration
- Walking, jogging, skipping, treadmill, step-ups, dancing, football, basketball



- Anaerobic Exercise:
- Short duration, high intensity exercise (2-3 min)

Sprinting, high jump, swimming(100m), running(400m) weight lifting, gymnastics.








Energy Source in Exercise

Muscle is capable of burning multiple fuels during exercise

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1. ATP



- 3. Glycogen
- 4. Fatty Acids
- 5. Muscle Proteins
- 6. Lactic acid



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Energy Source in Exercise

1. ATP stored in muscle

- ATP reserve is small
- Can sustain exercise only for first 2 -3 seconds
- How is energy provided for prolonged exercise ?
- By ATP regeneration







Which mechanism is used for ATP regeneration



Aerobic Exercise

- After exhaustion of stored ATP
- Regeneration is by oxidative phosphorylation of (*nutrients*) glucose, fatty acids & proteins





Oxidative Phosphorylation in Aerobic

Exercise

- Inside muscle Mitochondria utilizing Oxygen
- 1 glucose = 32-34 ATP's
- Very slow process due to multistep pathway.





Powerful and maximal muscle contractions





Blood vessels compressed

Affects oxygen delivery to muscles



Creatine Phosphate System

- Source of ATP in anaerobic condition
- Creatine phosphate is stored in Sarcoplasm



- Reaction is very fast
- Sustains exercise for 8 -10 seconds





ATP from Glycolysis



ATP from anaerobic Glycolysis

- Very quick
- But, ATP production is less
- Lactate accumulation in muscle
 - muscle soreness
 - stiffness
 - Fatigue
- Anaerobic exercise can be sustained only for a short duration.



Anaerobic Respiration



The type of fuel burned for energy depends on duration and intensity of exercise.







Muscle twitch

• Twitch is a quick, jerky contraction of muscle for a single stimulus.



Muscle spasm



Tetanus

Prolonged painful contraction of muscle due to repeated stimulation.

Bacterial infection

Clostridium Tetani









FIGURE 37.15 A neonate displaying bodily rigidity produced by *Clostridium tetani* exotoxin, called "neonatal tetanus." (Photo courtesy of U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.)

Properties of muscle fibers

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1.All or none Law/ Bowditch's

law

• States that response by a nerve or muscle depends on the strength of stimulus applied on it.

• Bodwitch (1871)



1.All or none Law/ Bowditch's law

- Sub threshold stimulus : no contraction
- Threshold intensity : full fledged contraction
- Supra threshold stimulus :no change in amplitude.



All or none Law



When a stimulus is applied either muscle responds to its maximum or does not respond at all depending on the strength of stimulus

All or none law property is followed

Autonomic

<u>by :</u>





Oxygen Debt



During Exercise



Significance of Oxygen Debt

- 1) Replenish O2 stores
- 2) Replenish ATP & Phospho creatinine

3) Removes Lactic acid



During Anaerobic Exercise

- Oxygen demand far exceeds oxygen supply
- Thus after exercise excess oxygen intake is needed



3. Muscle Fatigue

- Temporary exhaustion of muscle
- Reduced force of contraction of muscles due to prolonged stimulation.
- <u>Reason:</u>
- Accumulation of lactic acid
- Site of Fatigue : reduced neurotransmitter





4. Cori's Cycle

- Pathway of conversion of lactate ______ glucose
 Glucose ______ Lactate
- In anaerobic exercise
- Formation of lactic acid in muscles
- Conversion of lactate to glucose in liver.
- <u>Reason:</u>
- Reduces lactic acid accumulation
- Continous glucose supply.



5. Rigor mortis

- Stiffening of muscles & joints few hours after death.
- First lower jaw



- <u>Reason :</u>
- Lack of ATP for cross bridge detachment



- Cross bridge detachment

Arthritis

- Inflammation of joints
- Features : pain and stiffness in joints





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Osteoarthritis

- Degeneration of articular cartilage
- Middle age or old age
- Large weight bearing bones are affected

<u>Rheumatoid arthritis</u>

- Inflammation of synovial membrane
- Any age.
- Multiple small joints are affected





Gout

- Accumulation of crystals of -uric acid
- sodium urate in synovial joints





•Reason: Genetic abnormality of purine metabolism

Osteoporosis

- Reduced bone mass
- <u>Cause:</u>
- Hypocalcaemia
- Hormone imbalance
- Parathyroid hormone excess
- Calitonin deficiency
- Estrogen deficiency



Tetany

- Repeated stimulus to the muscle leading to successive contractions without relaxation.
- <u>Reason:</u>
- Hyperexcitibility of neurons due

to severe calcium deficiency.





<u>Hypocalcemia – excites Nervous system</u>



Plasma Ca2+ \rightarrow 6- 5mg/dl

Neuronal permeability increases to Na+ ions , Super excited nerve fibers

Initiates AP even for a subthreshold stimulus

Tetanic muscle contraction



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Myasthenia gravis

Autoimmune disorder of NMJ

(Neuromuscular junction)

• <u>Cause:</u>

-Auto antibodies produced against Ach Receptors

- So receptors are destroyed
- Muscle fiber is not stimulated



SÝMPTOMS:

- Muscle weakness, rapid fatigue
- Ptosis drooping of eyelids
- Weakness of other ocular muscles
- Difficulty in swallowing, speech
- Weakness of muscles of extremities
- Respiratory muscle weakness













Types

1) Green stick Fracture

- Simple crack in the bone without breaking
- Hairline fracture
- 2) Simple fracture
- Bone breaks into two parts
- Broken ends remain close to each other





Types

3) Compound Fracture

- Bone breaks into two or more parts
- Broken piece protrudes out of skin
- Damaging tissues around

4) Comminuted Fracture

- Bone breaks into multiple pieces













Comminuted

Dislocation

• Genetic disorder

• <u>Cause:</u>

- Absence of **Dystrophin** – muscle protein.

• Feature:

- Progressive muscle degeneration and weakness.





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