



PHOTOSYNTHESIS

Chapter 10

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Modes of Nutrition

- **Autotrophs** – “ _____ ”
 - Capture _____ from physical sources in the environment
 - Photosynthetic organisms = sunlight
 - Chemosynthetic organisms = small inorganic molecules (occurs in absence of oxygen)
 - Produce _____ from _____ and other inorganic raw materials from the environment
 - Are _____ of the biosphere

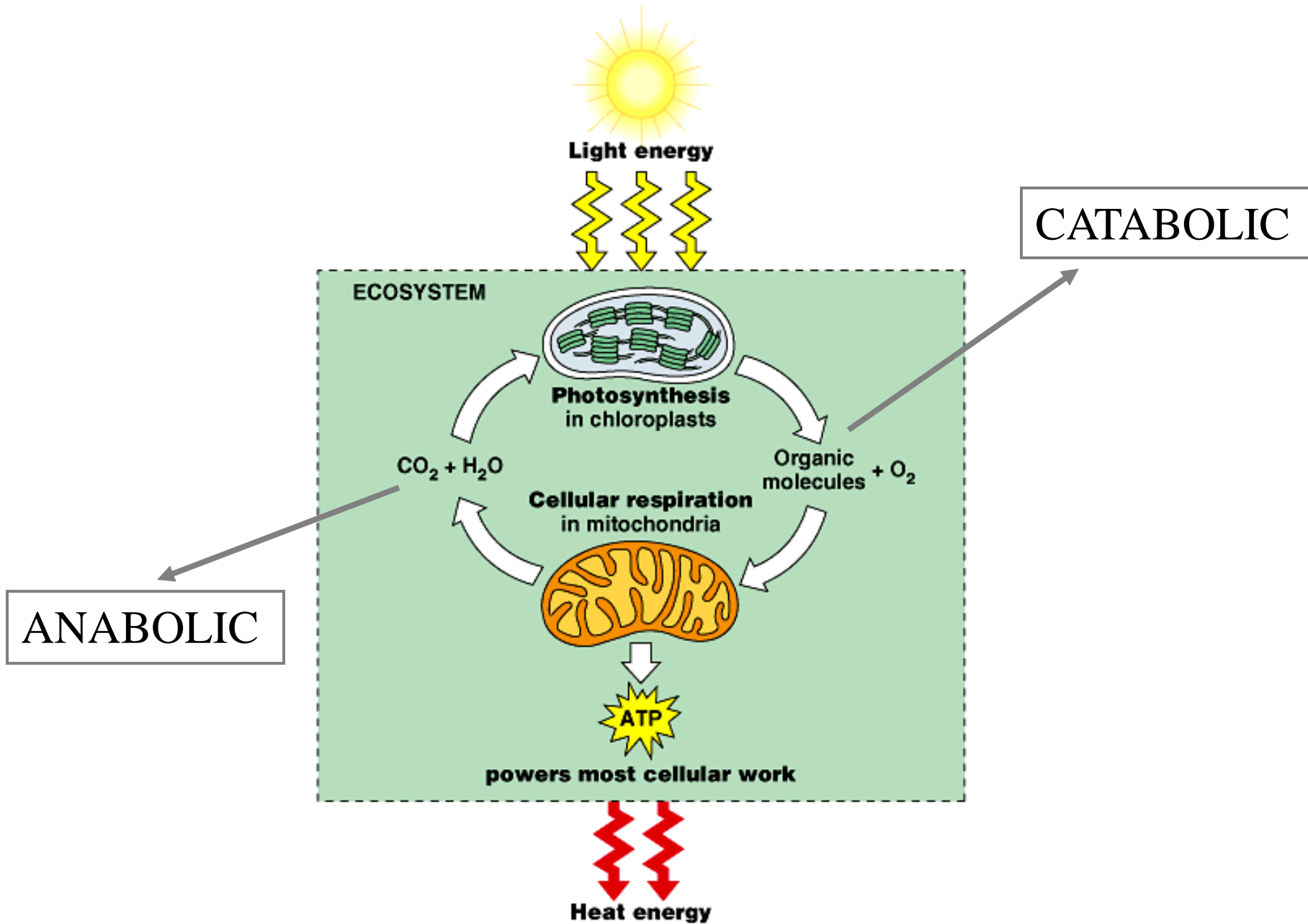
Modes of Nutrition

- **Heterotrophs** – “ _____ ”
 - Captures free energy present in _____
produced by other organisms
 - Metabolize carbohydrates, lipids, and proteins by hydrolysis as sources of free energy
 - _____ of the biosphere

Photosynthesis & Cellular Respiration

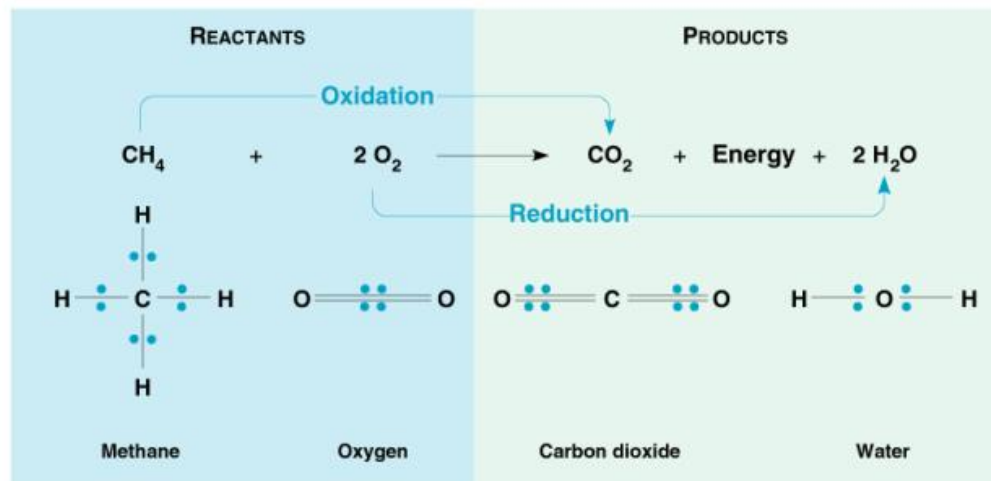
- Photosynthesis is the conversion of

- Cellular respiration is the harvesting of **ENERGY** in the _____



Oxidation-reduction (Redox) Reactions

- - OIL RIG (adding electron reduces + charge)
- Reducing agent is electron donor and Oxidizing agent is electron acceptor



Structure of a plant

- How they obtain the raw materials for photosynthesis:

- **Sunlight**

- Leaves = solar collectors

- **CO₂**

- _____ =
gas exchange

- **H₂O**

- Uptake from roots

- **Nutrients**

- Uptake from roots

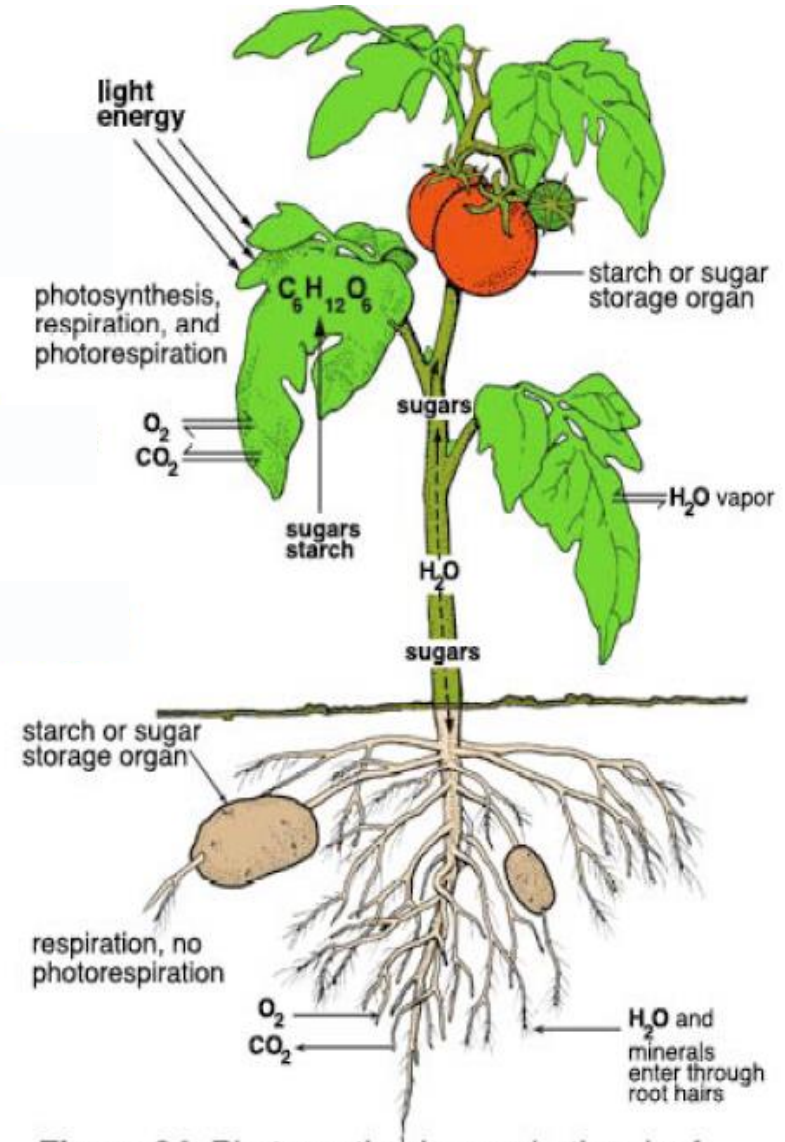
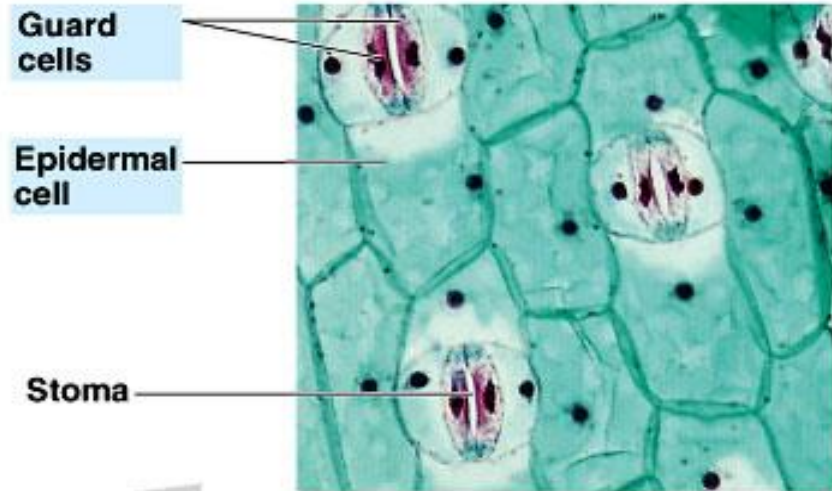


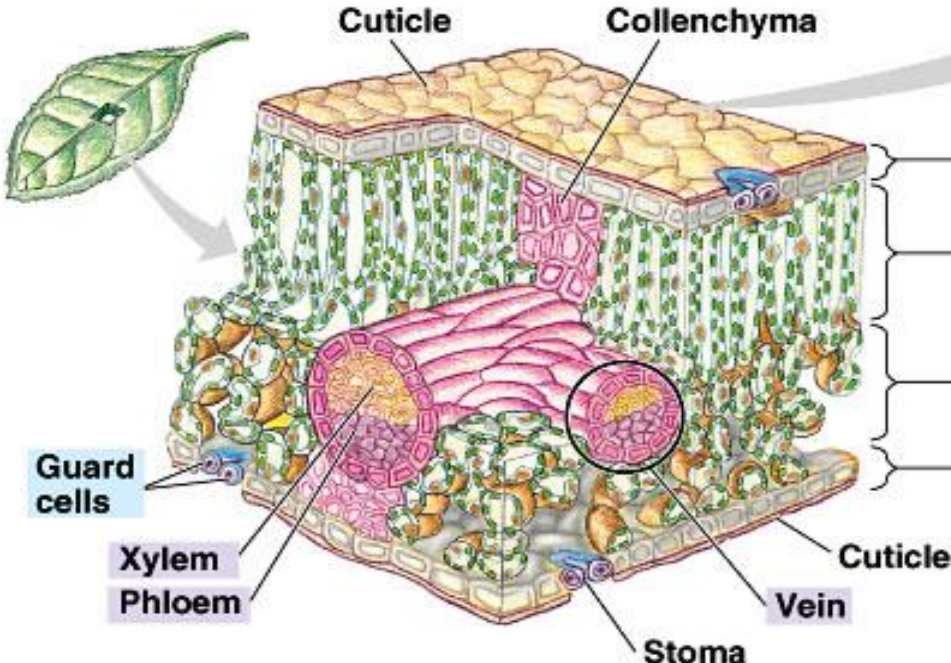
Figure 24. Photosynthesis, respiration, leaf water exchange, and translocation of sugar (photosynthate) in a plant.

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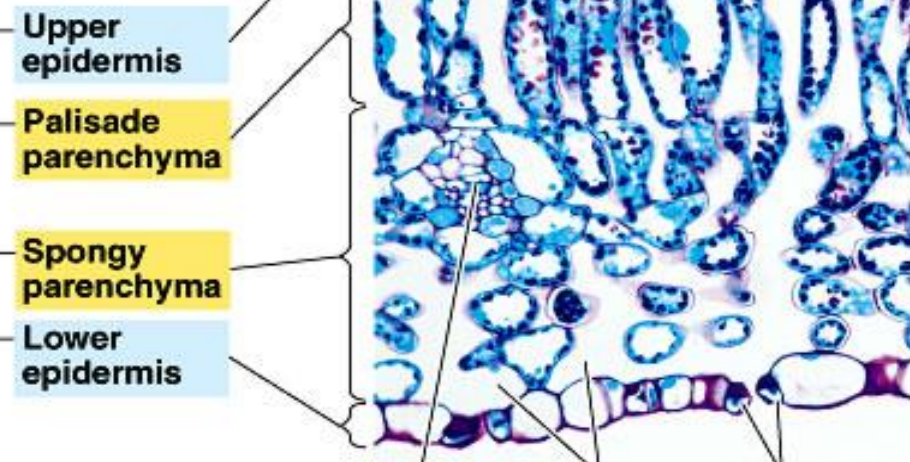
- Dermal
- Ground
- Vascular



(b) 50 μm



(a)



(c) 100 μm

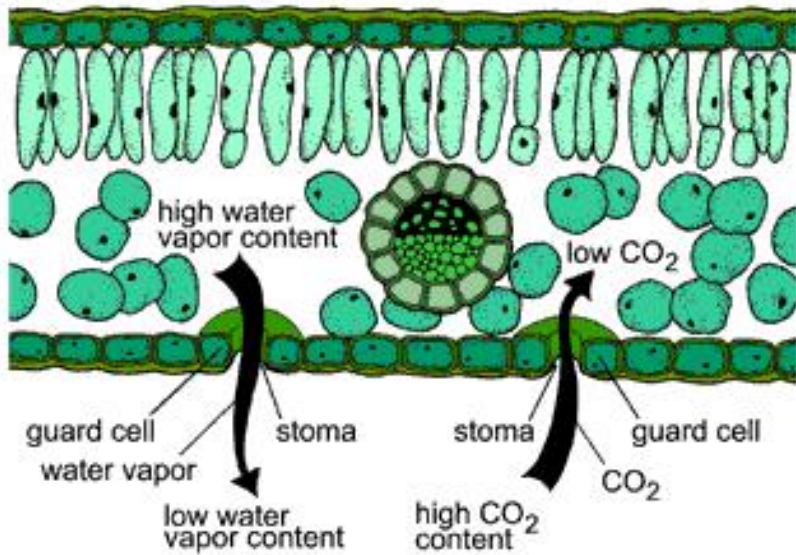
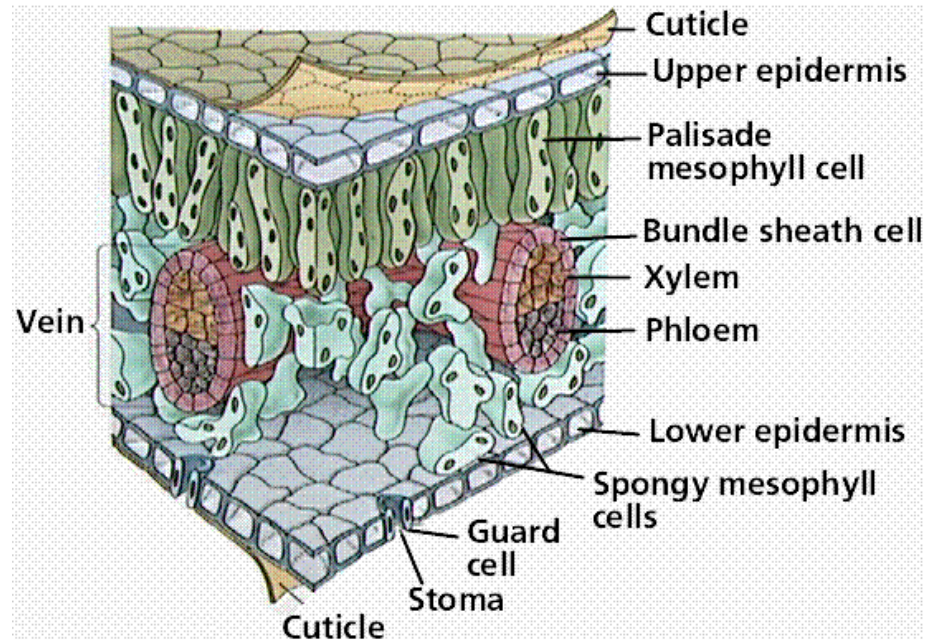
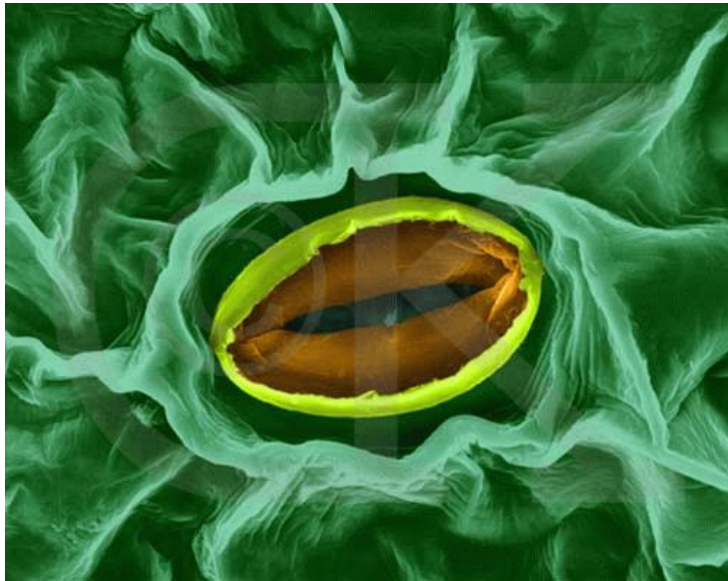
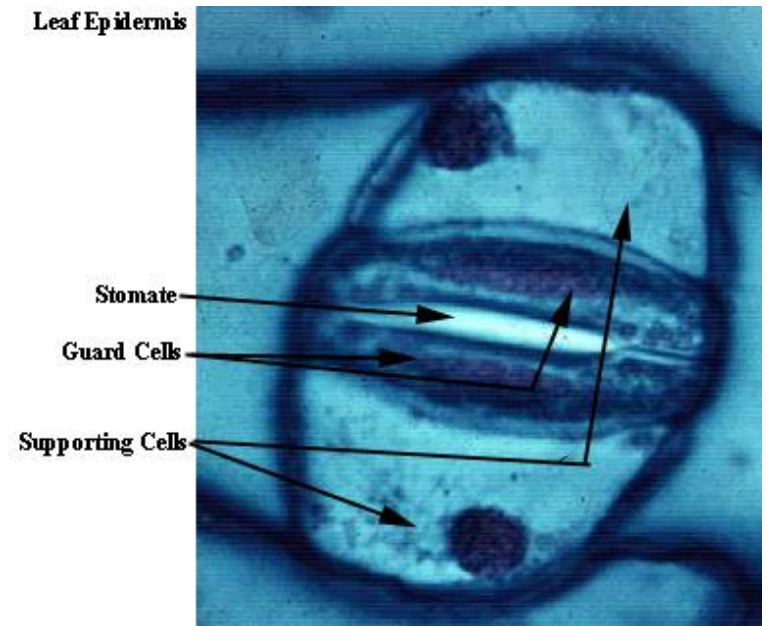


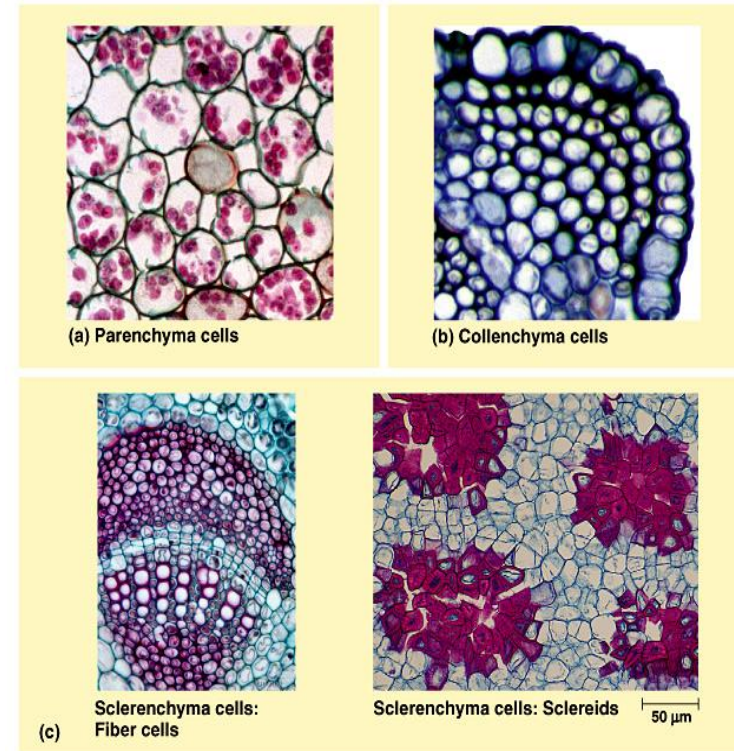
Figure 25. Stomata open to allow carbon dioxide (CO_2) to enter a leaf and water vapor to leave.

Leaf Epidermis



Plant Tissue Cell Types

- Parenchyma
 - primary walls thin and flexible; no secondary walls; large central vacuole; most metabolic functions of plant (chloroplasts)
- Collenchyma
 - unevenly thick primary walls used for plant support (no secondary walls ; no lignin)
- Sclerenchyma
 - support element strengthened by secondary cell walls with lignin (may be dead; xylem cells); fibers and sclereids for support

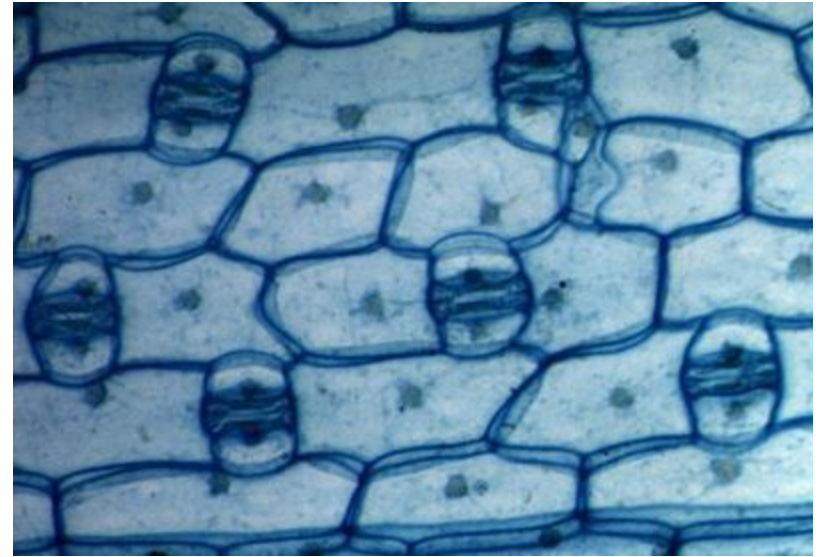
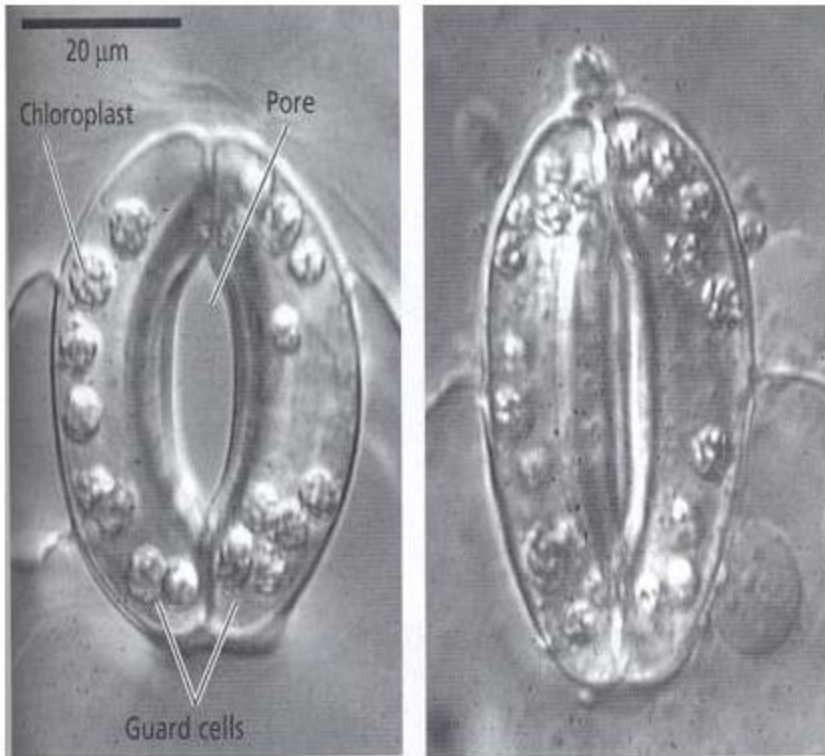


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Primary Tissues of Leaves

- Epidermis/cuticle (protection; desiccation)
- *Stomata* (tiny pores for _____ and transpiration)/*guard cells*
- *Mesophyll*: ground tissue between upper and lower epidermis (parenchyma with chloroplasts);
 - palisade (most _____) and spongy (gas circulation)

STOMATA



Overview

- Photosynthesis is the conversion of light energy into chemical bond energy



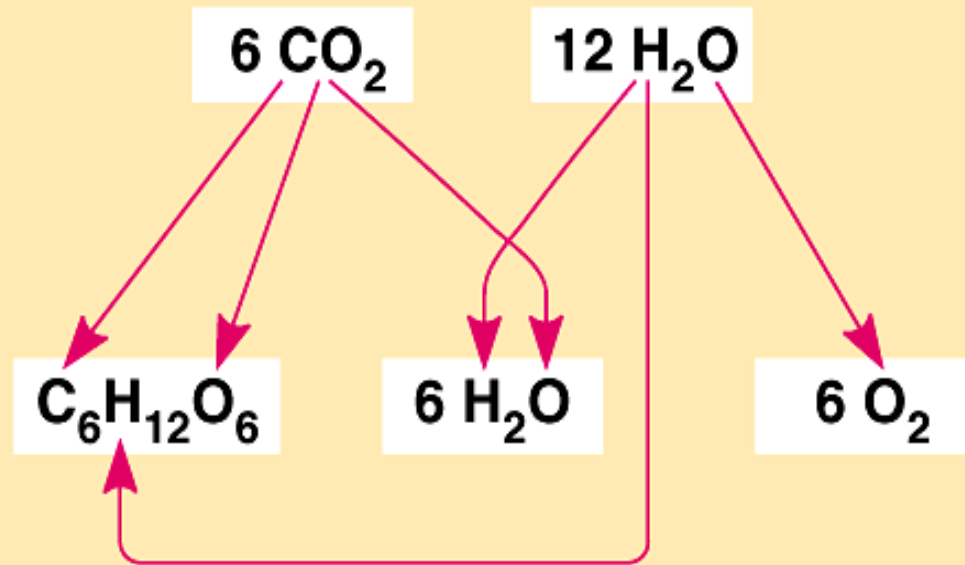
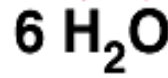
- This is the reverse of cellular respiration; thus, photosynthesis & cellular respiration are coupled reactions.
- It occurs in two stages:
 - Light Reactions – in the thylakoid space
 - Calvin Cycle – in the stroma

Tracking Atoms in Photosynthesis

Reactants:



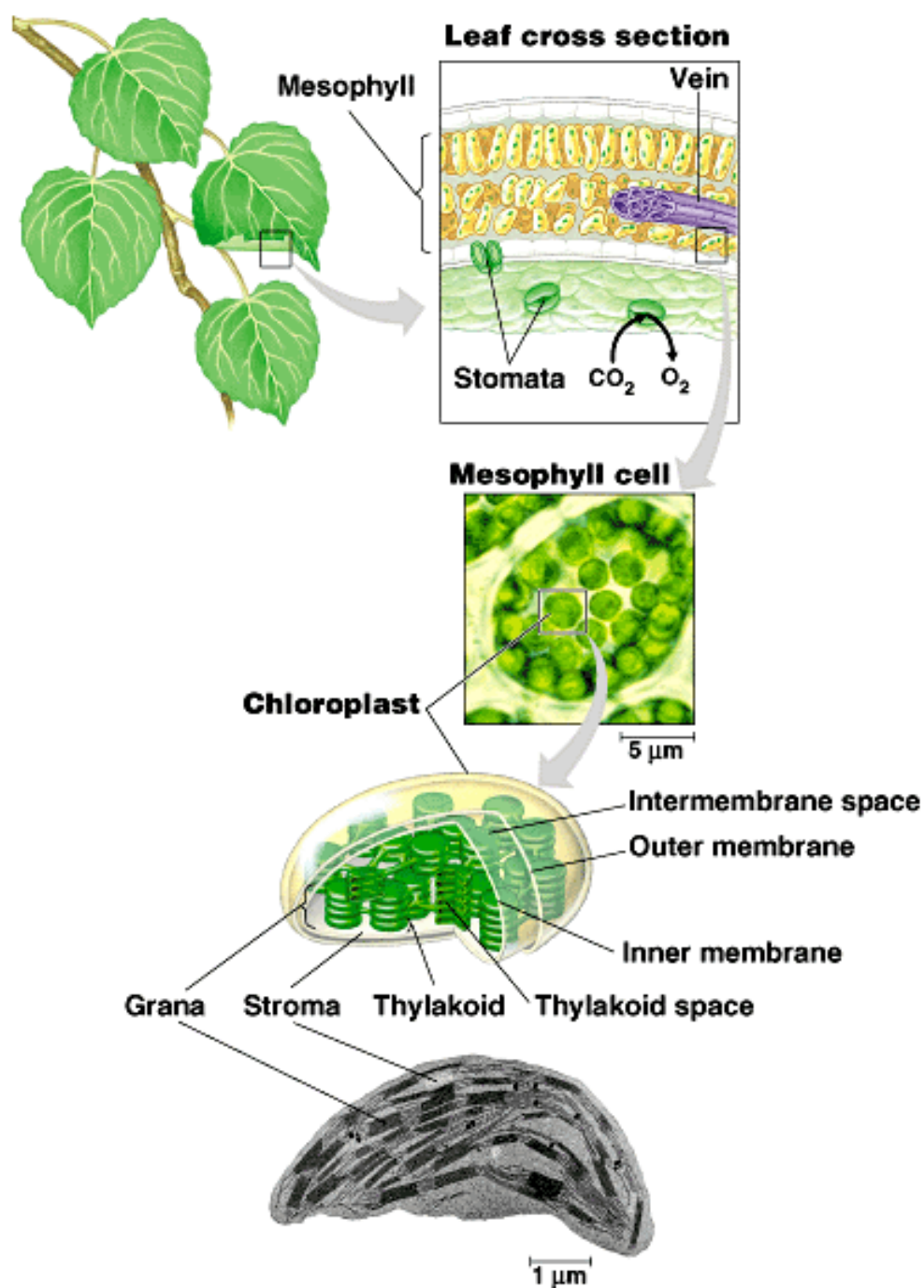
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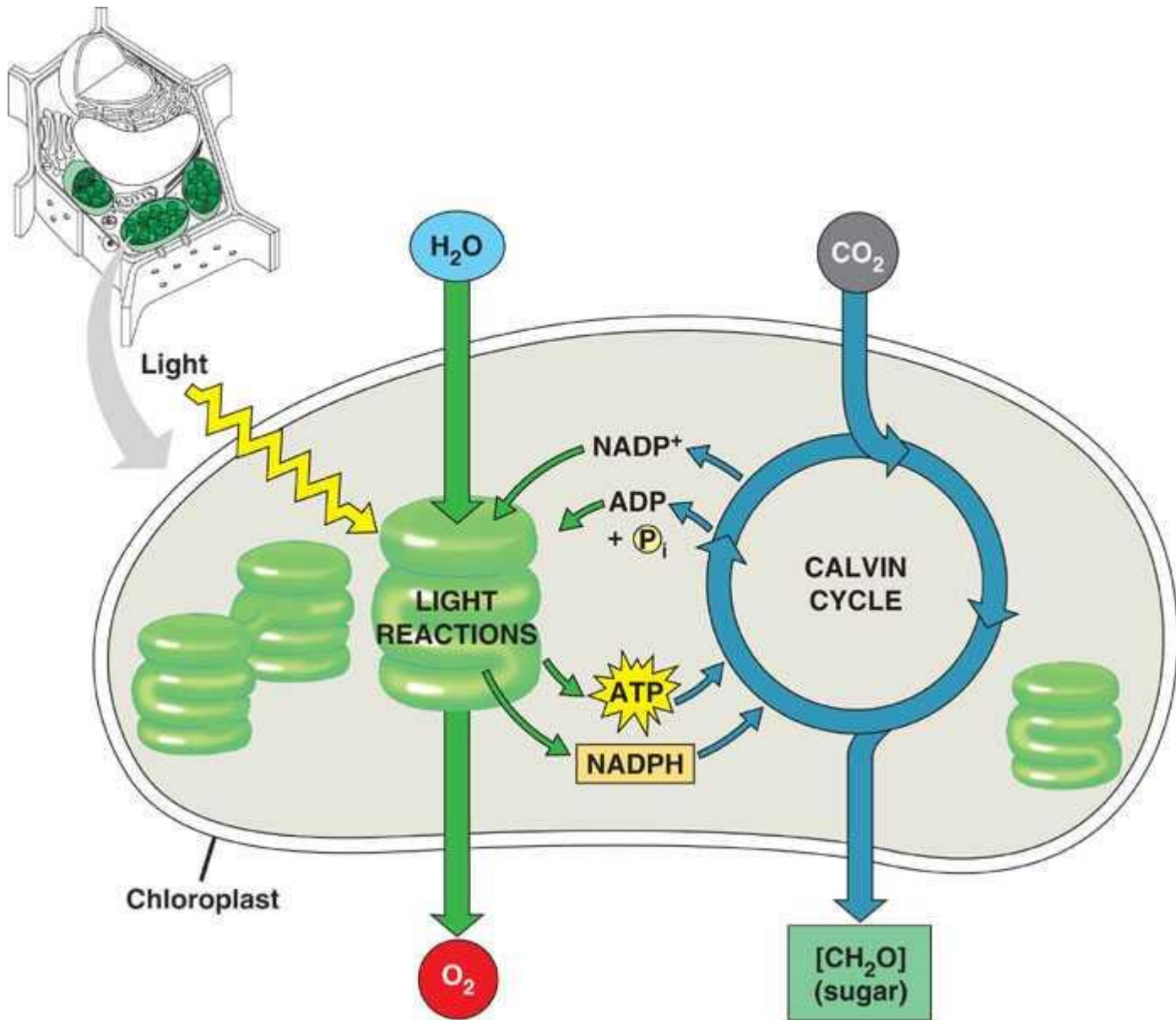


Where does it occur?

- Chloroplasts – photosynthetic organelles
 - All green parts of a plant contain chloroplasts
 - Divided into 3 distinct compartments:
 - **Intermembrane space**: separates the _____
_____chloroplast membrane
 - **Thylakoid space**: consists of stacks of thylakoids which are arranged in stacks called grana;

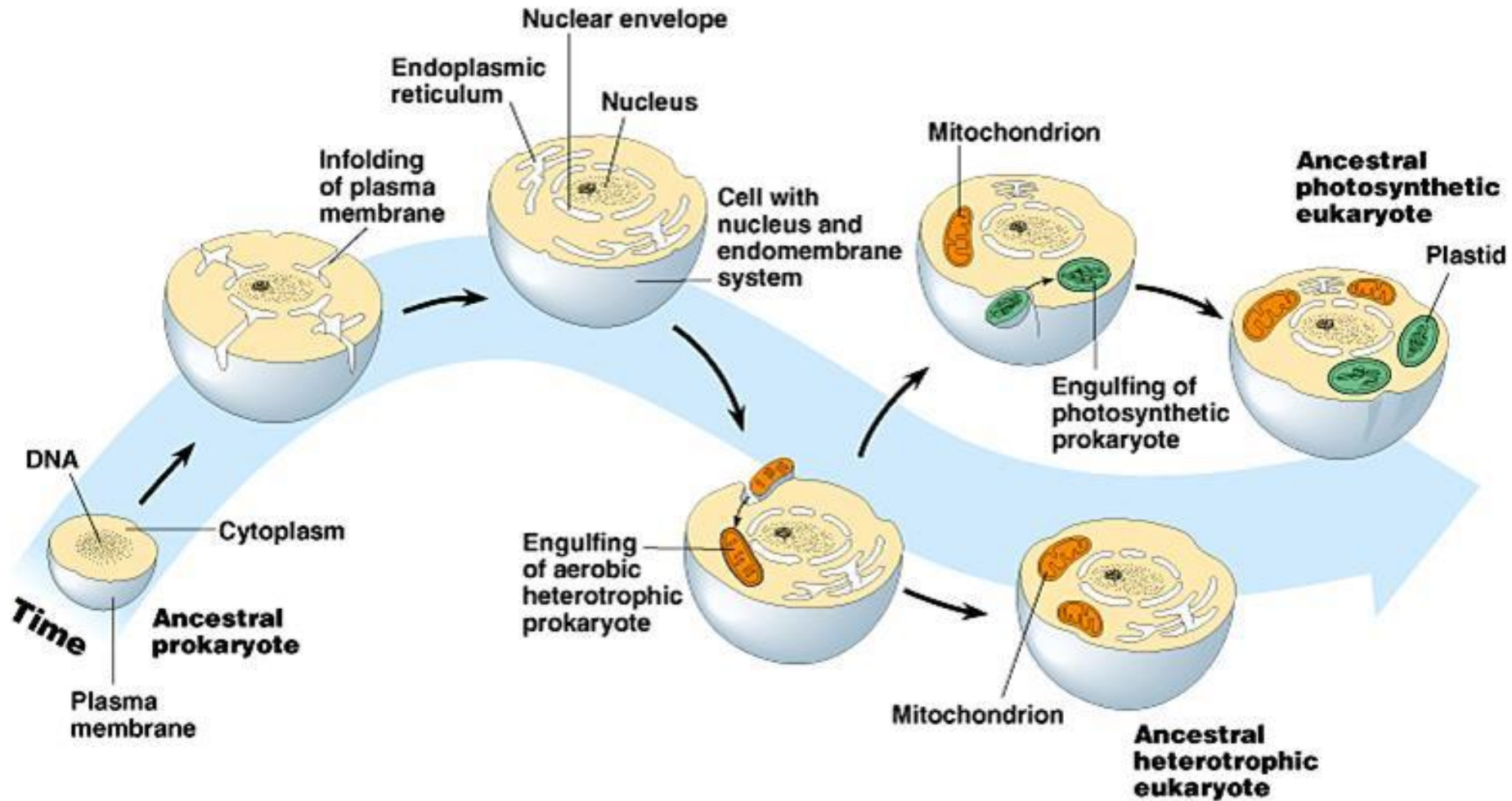
 - Light reactions occur here
 - **Stroma**: viscous (thick) _____ outside the thylakoids
 - Calvin cycle occurs here





How did chloroplasts and mitochondria get into the plant cell?

- Endosymbiotic Theory
 - The arise of eukaryotic cells from _____ cells
 - First, _____ was formed from infolding of plasma membrane
 - Second, aerobic heterotrophic _____ was engulfed by another bacteria
 - Third, some of the cells engulfed photosynthetic bacteria
- Cells may have begun as prey or parasites, but a _____ relationship resulted



Nature of Light

- Visible light's wavelength stretches from 380nm to 750nm.
- The visible range of light is the radiation that drives photosynthesis.
- Light consists of particles called photons which are fixed quantities of energy.

- What happens when chlorophyll & other pigments absorb photons?
 - When a molecule of a pigment (color) absorbs a photon, one of the molecules' _____ **is elevated** to an orbital or energy level where it has _____ **potential energy**
 - Increase wavelength; decrease energy
 - Decrease wavelength; increase energy

Ground State vs Excited State Electrons

- **Ground State** – electron is in its normal orbital
- **Excited State** – an electron in its higher energy orbital; occurs after the absorption of a photon; very unstable.

Light Reactions

- Reactions that convert light energy to chemical bond energy in _____ and _____.
 - Occur in the _____ membranes of chloroplasts
 - _____ (gain electrons) NADP⁺ to _____
 - Give off _____ as a by-product from the _____
 - Generate ATP through photophosphorylation

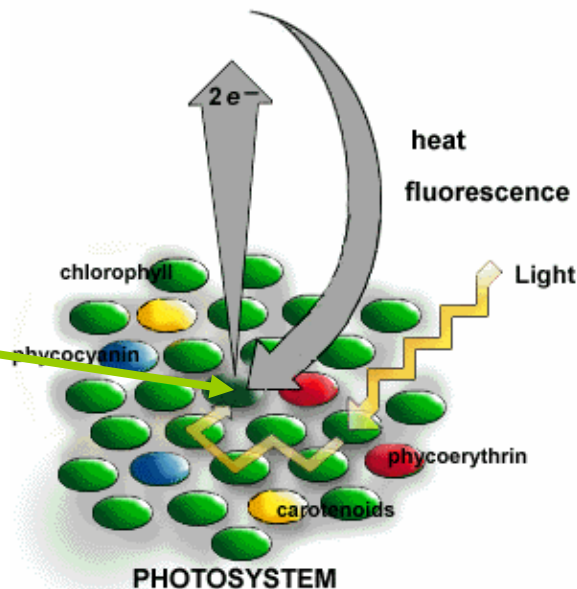
Photosystems

- Chlorophyll molecules are organized in the thylakoid membrane into photosystems
 - **Photosystem structure:**
 - **Reaction center** surrounded by light harvesting complexes
 - _____ = protein complex that includes 2 chlorophyll a molecules and a primary electron acceptor
 - In chlorophyll, the acceptor molecule functions as a dam, _____ the flow of electrons to plunge immediately back to their _____

– Photosystem structure:

- Light harvesting complex = chlorophyll a, chlorophyll b, & carotenoids bound to proteins
 - Acts as an _____ for the reaction center to absorb light

REACTION
CENTER



Photosystems I & II

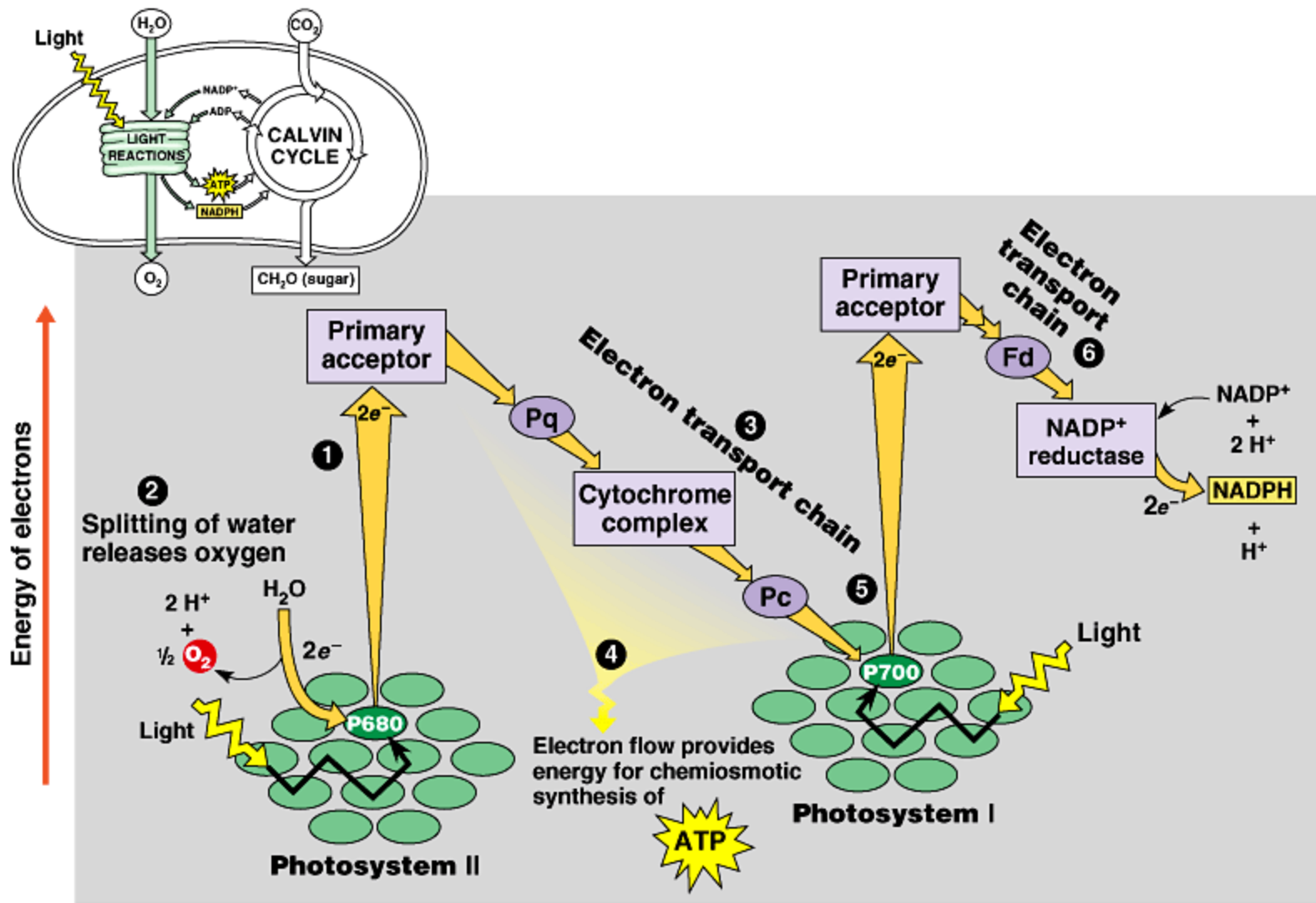
- Thylakoid membrane has two photosystems (II and I) – named in order of discovery, but PHOTOSYSTEM II functions first followed by Photosystem I
- **Photosystem II:**
 - Reaction center = _____ chlorophyll a
(functions best at wavelengths of 680nm of light)
- **Photosystem I:**
 - Reaction center = _____ chlorophyll a
(functions best at wavelengths of 700nm of light)

Photosystem II

- **Non-cyclic electron flow** – electrons pass from _____ and _____ to _____
- P680 absorbs light with a wavelength best of 680nm and _____ electrons in the chlorophyll
- Passes the electrons to _____

Photosystem II

- P680 gains back the _____
_____ by splitting H_2O – this also creates O_2 .
- As the excited electrons slide down the chain connecting photosystem II with photosystem I, the chain _____
across the thylakoid membrane to the thylakoid space.
 - The build up of H^+ can then drive ATP synthesis: _____



Photosystem I

- P700 – absorbs light with a wavelength of 700nm
- Light energy _____ in the chlorophyll, which is passed along the more of the protein chain
- Electrons from Photosystem II are used to replace the lost electron
- 2 electrons are used to make _____

Photosystem I

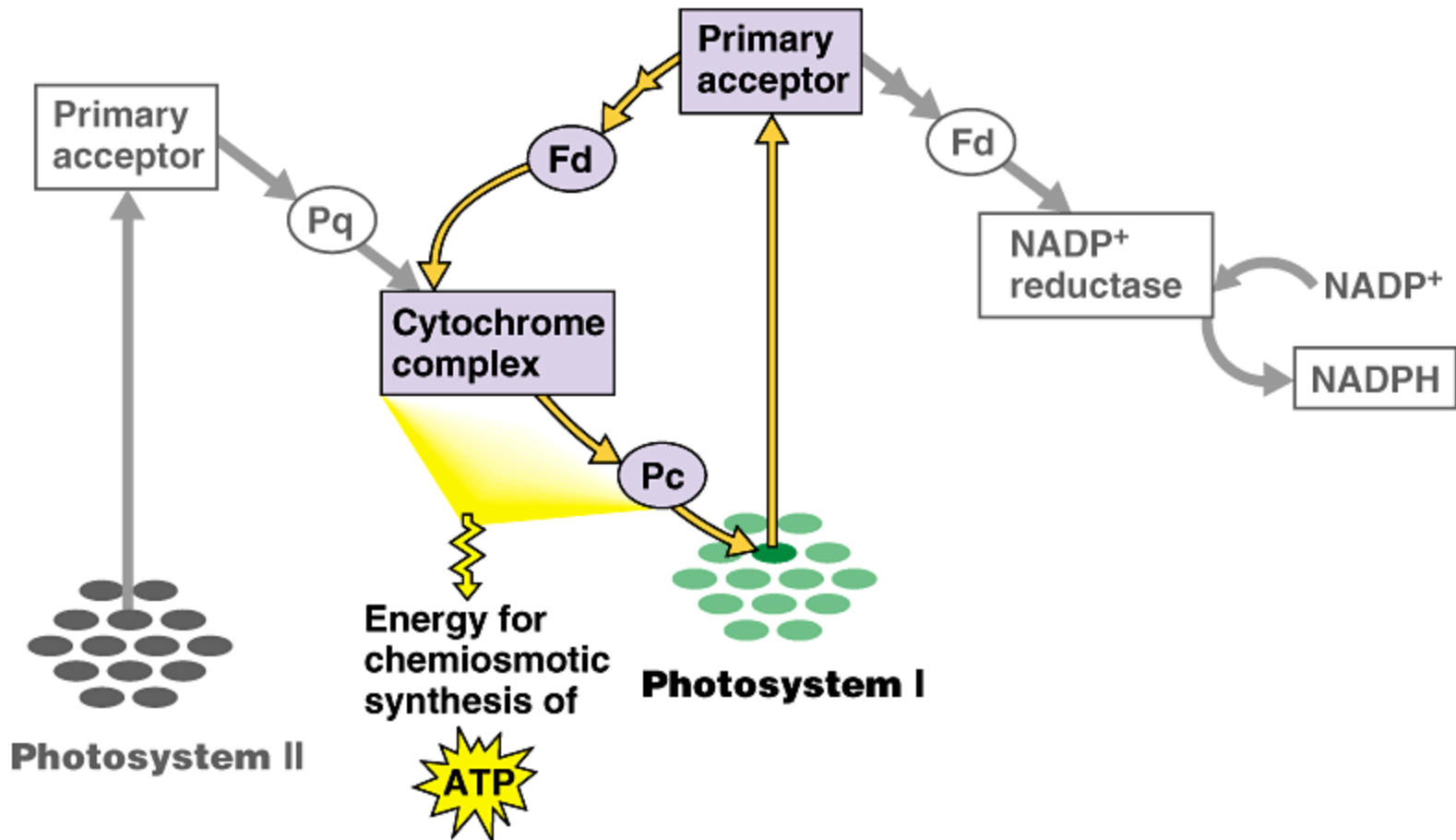
Cyclic electron flow – alternative pathway that just involves _____

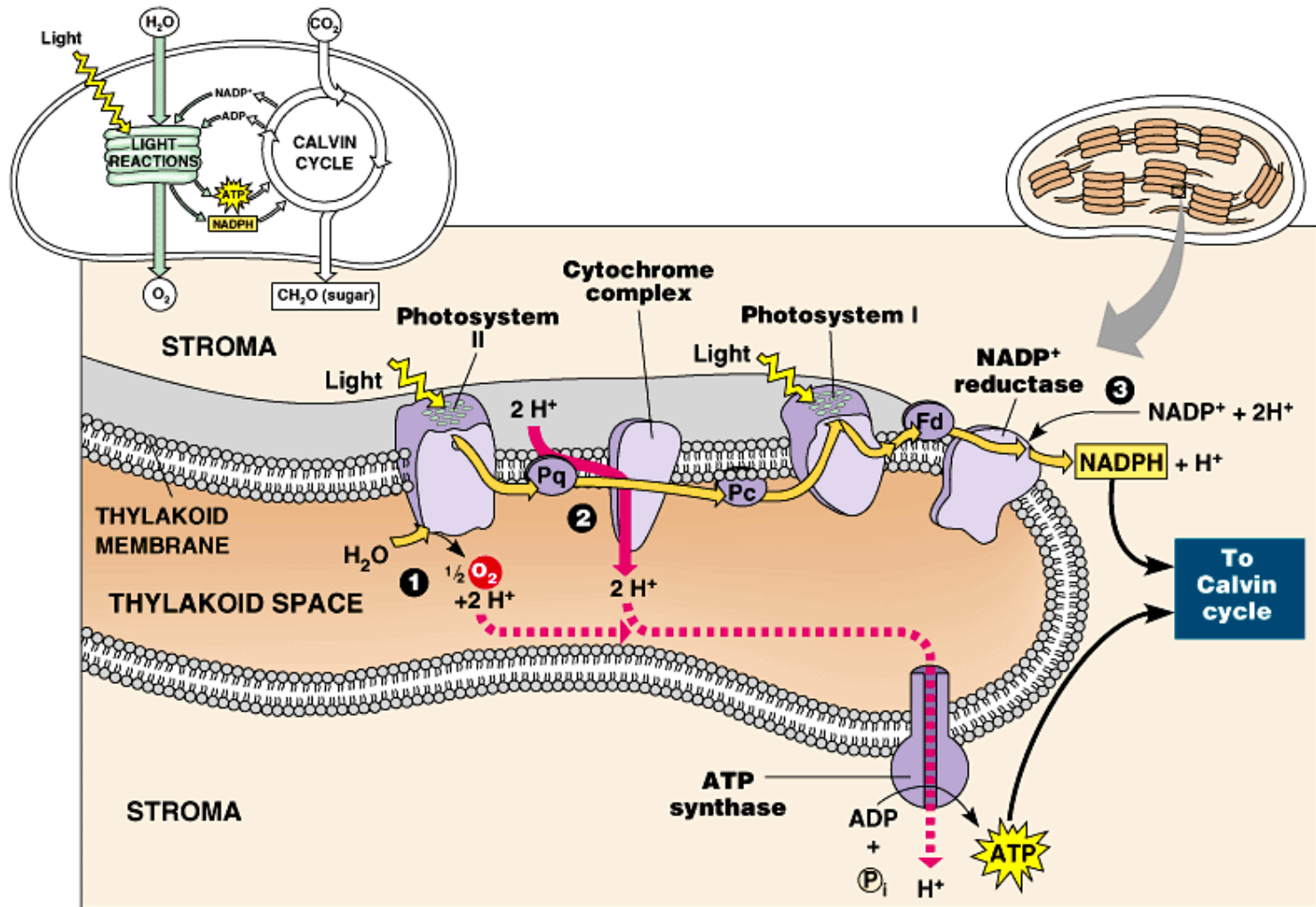
- Simpler pathway of electron flow than Photosystem II
- electrons cycle back to cytochrome complex (proteins in the chain) continues back into Photosystem I
- _____ –
NO NADPH or O₂ is harvested
- Only used when there is a build up of NADPH or more ATP is required for Calvin Cycle

Summary Light Reactions

- Noncyclic electron flow = captures electrons from _____ and transfers to NADP+
 - low potential energy [water] to high potential energy [NADPH]
- Light reactions produce _____ from splitting H₂O
- Electron transport chain in the thylakoid membranes generate _____
 - ATP is released into the stroma for the DARK REACTION [Calvin cycle]
- ATP & NADPH are used in the Calvin cycle to produce carbohydrates and release O₂ as a byproduct.

Cyclic electron flow

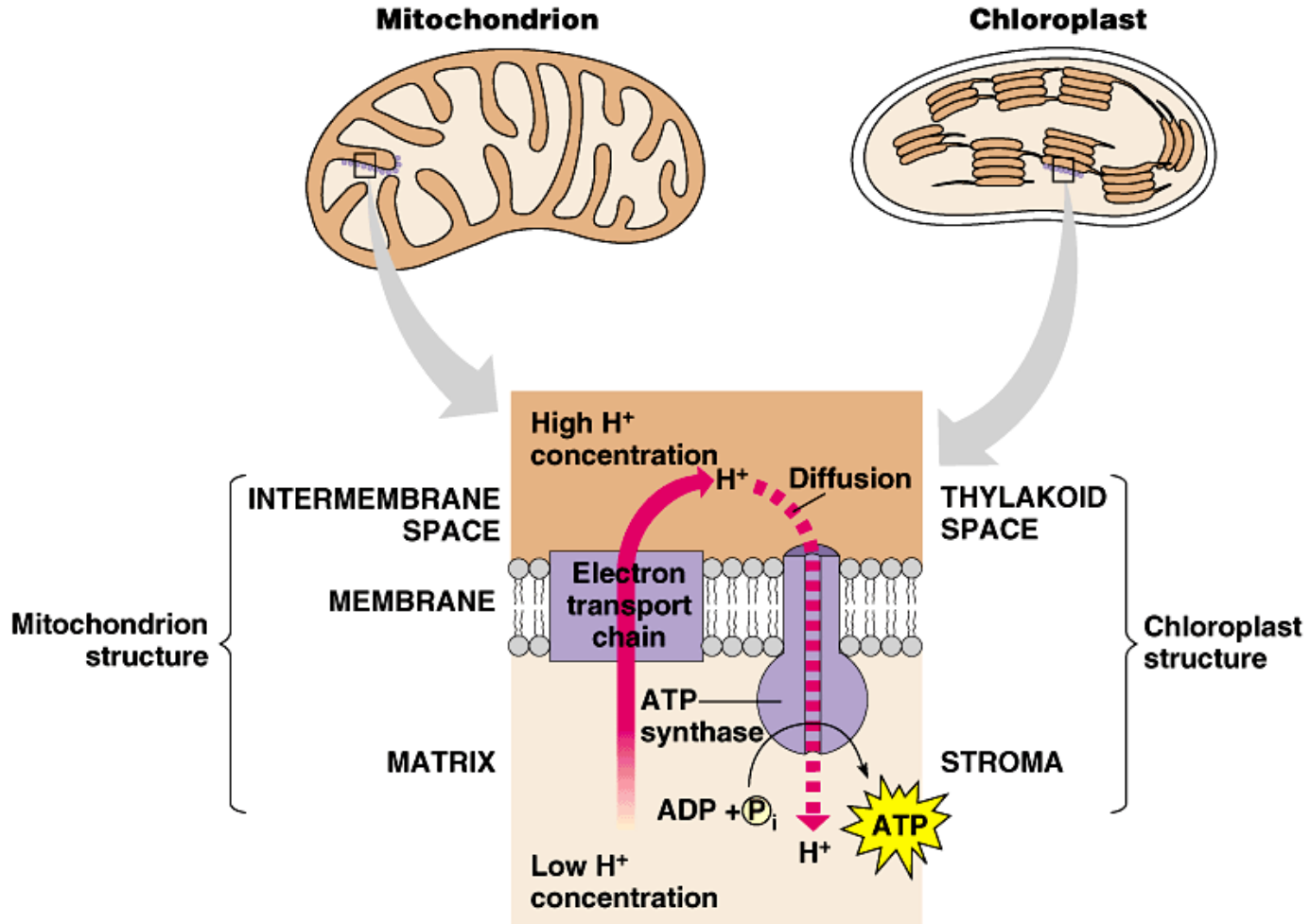




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Chloroplasts and Mitochondria both generate ATP by chemiosmosis

Chemiosmosis – Mitochondria vs. Chloroplast



Calvin Cycle

- _____
to carbohydrates by a series of reactions in the Calvin cycle.
 - Reactions occur in the _____
 - Incorporate CO_2 into _____
_____ by a process called _____ and
_____ then is reduced to a carbohydrate.
 - Does NOT require light directly
 - NADPH provides the _____ power
 - ATP provides the _____

Calvin Cycle (Dark Reaction)

- Calvin cycle uses ATP and NADPH produced in the light reactions to convert CO_2 to sugar
- ATP is the energy source
- NADPH is the reducing agent that adds high-energy electrons to form the

 (glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate)

- 3 CO₂ enter the Calvin Cycle to generate _____ G3P molecule
- G3P is the raw material, produced by the Calvin cycle, that is used to synthesize _____ and other carbs

Calvin Cycle

- _____ process that uses energy to build carbs from smaller molecules.
- Carbon enters the cycle in the form of CO₂ and leaves as sugar
- Carbohydrate actually produced is not glucose but a 3C sugar, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate (G3P)

Phase 1 of Calvin Cycle: Carbon Fixation

- CO₂ is added to a 5C sugar, ribulose biphosphate (_____).
 - Added by enzyme, _____
- Produces a _____ sugar that immediately splits in half (2 3C sugars) due to instability: 3-Phosphoglycerate (_____)

Phase 2 of Calvin Cycle : Reduction

- _____ added to make a different 3 carbon molecule
- NADPH donates _____ to produce G3P sugar molecule

Phase 3 of Calvin Cycle : Regeneration of the CO₂ Acceptor (RuBP)

- 5 molecules of G3P are _____ by the last steps of the Calvin Cycle
 - Forms 3 molecules of RuBP
- For the NET synthesis of ONE G3P molecule, the Calvin cycle uses the products of the light reactions:
 - 9 ATP molecules
 - 6 NADPH molecules

