

## Equations relevant to Membrane Transport: Geometry, Diffusion and Flux

$$\text{Sphere Area: } 4 \cdot \pi \cdot r^2 \quad \text{Sphere Volume: } \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot r^3$$

$$\text{Cylinder Area: } 4 \cdot \pi \cdot r \cdot h \quad \text{Cylinder Volume: } \pi \cdot r^2 \cdot h$$

$$\text{Cube Area: } 6 \cdot h^2 \quad \text{Cube Volume: } h^3$$

$$\text{Fick - 1}^{\text{st}} \text{ Diffusion Law: } J = D \cdot \frac{dc}{dx} \quad \text{Fick - 2}^{\text{d}} \text{ Diffusion Law: } \frac{dc}{dt} = D \cdot \frac{d^2c}{dx^2}$$

$$\text{Einstein - Random Walks: } D = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\Delta^2}{\tau}, \langle x^2 \rangle = 2 \cdot D \cdot t, \text{ and } \langle r^2 \rangle = 6 \cdot D \cdot t$$

$$\text{Membrane Diffusion: } J = P \cdot (c_{\text{outside}} - c_{\text{inside}}), \quad P = D \frac{k_p}{d}$$

$$\text{Membrane Diffusion: } J = -(uRT) \cdot \frac{dc}{dx} - (zFuc) \cdot \frac{d\Psi}{dx}$$

$$\text{Membrane Diffusion: } J = -P \cdot \left( \frac{zF\Psi}{RT} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{c_o - c_i \cdot e^{zF\Psi/RT}}{1 - e^{zF\Psi/RT}} \right)$$

$$\text{Nernst Equation: } \Psi = \left( \frac{RT}{zF} \right) \cdot \ln \left( \frac{c_o}{c_i} \right)$$

$$\text{Ohms Law: } V = I \cdot R, I = g \cdot V, R = \rho \cdot \left( \frac{l}{A} \right), \text{ and } J = I / (zF)$$

$$\text{Radial Diffusion: } C(r) = C_\infty \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{a}{r} \right), \text{ and } J(r) = -D \cdot C_\infty \cdot \left( \frac{a}{r^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Radial Currents: } I_m = 4 \cdot \pi \cdot a^2 \cdot \beta, \text{ and } I_d = 4 \cdot \pi \cdot a \cdot D \cdot C_\infty$$

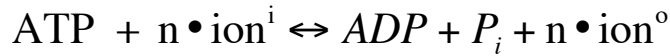
$$\text{Dimensionless relations } P_e = \frac{2 \cdot a \cdot v}{D} \quad \text{and} \quad R_e = \frac{\rho \cdot v \cdot l}{\eta}$$

## Goldman - Hodgkin - Katz (GHK) equation

$$\Psi = \frac{RT}{F} \ln \left( \frac{P_H c_H^o + P_{Na} c_{Na}^o + P_K c_K^o + P_{Cl} c_{Cl}^i}{P_H c_H^i + P_{Na} c_{Na}^i + P_K c_K^i + P_{Cl} c_{Cl}^o} \right)$$

Equations relevant to Bioenergetics

For the vectorial chemical reaction :



(n is the stoichiometry)

At equilibrium:  $\Delta G_{\text{total}} = n \sum \Delta \mu_{\text{ion}} + \Delta G_{ATP}$

$$\Delta G_{ATP} = \Delta G_{ATP}^o + RT \ln \frac{[ADP][P_i]}{[ATP]}$$

$$\Delta \mu_{\text{ion}} = RT \ln \frac{c_{\text{ion}}^o}{c_{\text{ion}}^i} + zF\Delta\Psi$$

Note that  $\Delta G_{ATP}^o$  varies with pH and  $[\text{Mg}^{2+}]$ . For our purposes, specifying  $-10 \text{ kcal mole}^{-1}$  is a reasonable estimate.

Equations relevant to membrane capacitance

$$Q = C \cdot \Delta E \text{ (coulombs)} = \text{(coulombs/volt)} \text{ (volt)}$$

Charge (Q) for a spherical cell of radius r :

$$Q = \frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot r^3 \cdot c \cdot F$$

c is the concentration of net charge.

Capacitance of a spherical cell of radius r :

$$C = 4 \cdot \pi \cdot r^2 \cdot C' \quad C' \text{ is the capacitance per unit area}$$

(about 1 microFarad per square centimeter for cells).

Symbol	Value	Units	Comments
<b>GAS CONSTANT</b>			
R	8.314	$\text{J mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$	R is the Boltzmann constant times Avogadro's Number ( $6.023 \cdot 10^{23}$ )
	1.987	$\text{cal mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$	
	8.314	$\text{m}^{-3} \text{Pa mol}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$	
RT	$2.437 \cdot 10^3$	$\text{J mol}^{-1}$	At 20 °C (293 °K)
	$5.833 \cdot 10^2$	$\text{cal mol}^{-1}$	At 20 °C (293 °K)
	$2.437 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\text{liter MPa mol}^{-1}$	At 20 °C (293 °K)
RT/F	25.3	mV	At 20 °C (293 °K)
$2.303 \cdot RT$	5.612	$\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$	At 20 °C (293 °K)
	1.342	$\text{kcal mol}^{-1}$	At 20 °C (293 °K)
<b>FARADAY CONSTANT</b>			
F	$9.649 \cdot 10^4$	$\text{coulombs mol}^{-1}$	F is the electric charge times Avogadro's Number
	$9.649 \cdot 10^4$	$\text{J mol}^{-1} \text{V}^{-1}$	
	23.06	$\text{kcal mol}^{-1} \text{V}^{-1}$	
<b>CONVERSIONS</b>			
kcal	4.187	$\text{kJ (kiloJoules)}$	Joules is an energy unit (equal to 1 Newton•meter)
Watt	1	$\text{J sec}^{-1}$	
Volt	1	$\text{J coulomb}^{-1}$	
Amperes	1	$\text{coulomb sec}^{-1}$	
Pascal (Pa)	1	$\text{Newton meter}^{-2}$	Pascal is a pressure unit (equal to $10^{-5}$ bars)
Siemens	1	$\text{Ohm}^{-1}$	Siemens (S) is conductance, the inverse of resistance (Ohm)
<b>PHYSICAL PROPERTIES</b>			
$\eta_w$	$1.004 \cdot 10^{-3}$	$\text{Pa sec}$	viscosity of water at 20 °C
$\nu_w$	$1.004 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$\text{m}^2 \text{sec}^{-1}$	kinematic viscosity of water at 20 °C (viscosity/density)

Source: Nobel, Park S (1991) Physicochemical and Environmental Physiology

**Table 9.** System of the van der Waals radii (Å) of elements

Li	Be												B	C	N	O	F
2.2	1.9												1.8	1.7	1.6	1.55	1.5
2.63	2.23												2.05	1.96	1.79	1.71	1.65
Na	Mg												Al	Si	P	S	Cl
2.4	2.2												2.1	2.1	1.95	1.8	1.8
2.77	2.42												2.40	2.26	2.14	2.06	2.05
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	
2.8	2.4	2.3	2.15	2.05	2.05	2.05	2.05	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.05	1.9	1.9	
3.02	2.78	2.62	2.44	2.27	2.23	2.25	2.27	2.25	2.23	2.27	2.24	2.41	2.32	2.25	2.18	2.10	
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	
2.9	2.55	2.4	2.3	2.15	2.1	2.05	2.05	2.0	2.05	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.25	2.2	2.1	2.1	
3.15	2.94	2.71	2.57	2.46	2.39	2.37	2.37	2.32	2.35	2.37	2.37	2.53	2.46	2.41	2.36	2.22	
Cs	Ba	La	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	
3.0	2.7	2.5	2.25	2.2	2.1	2.05	2.0	2.0	2.05	2.1	2.05	2.2	2.3	2.3			
3.30	3.05	2.81	2.52	2.42	2.36	2.35	2.33	2.34	2.37	2.41	2.25	2.53	2.53	3.52			
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		2.4	2.3														
		2.75	2.65														

Table 9 presents the set of the recommended crystallographic (upper numbers) and equilibrium (lower numbers) van der Waals radii. The equilibrium radii are where there is a minimum in the potential of van der Waals interaction between two isolated atoms.

Source: Batsanov SS (2001) Van der Waals radii of elements. *Inorganic Materials*. 37(9):871–885.

Tabulated data for atomic radii, enthalpies of hydration and mobilities:

ATOMIC RADII, HYDRATION ENTHALPIES AND MOBILITIES			
Ion	Atomic Radii (Å)	Enthalpies of Hydration (kcal/mole)	Mobility ( $10^{-4}$ ) (cm/sec)/(V/cm)
Tl <sup>+</sup>	1.44	71	7.74
H <sup>+</sup>	.	-269	36.3
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	1.48	.	7.52
Cs <sup>+</sup>	1.69	-72	8.01
Rb <sup>+</sup>	1.48	-79.2	8.06
K <sup>+</sup>	1.33	-85.8	7.62
Na <sup>+</sup>	0.95	-104.6	5.19
Li <sup>+</sup>	0.60	-131.2	4.01
Cl <sup>-</sup>	1.81	-82	7.92
F <sup>-</sup>	1.36	-114	5.74
Br <sup>-</sup>	1.95	-79	8.09
I <sup>-</sup>	2.16	-65	7.96
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	2.90	.	7.41
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	0.65	-476	2.75
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	0.99	-397	3.08
Sr <sup>2+</sup>	1.13	-362	3.08
Mn <sup>2+</sup>	0.80	-458	.
Ba <sup>2+</sup>	1.35	-328	3.30
Co <sup>2+</sup>	0.74	-502	.
Ni <sup>2+</sup>	0.72	-517	.
Zn <sup>2+</sup>	0.74	-505	.

Source: Hille, B (1991) *Ionic Channels of Excitable Membranes*. Sinauer Associates. pp. 157 & 166.