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CH 11 pt 2 Study Questions – Signal Transduction & Cell Response (11.3-11.5)

1) What is the role of enzymes called PROTEIN KINASES?

2) Summarize what occurs in a phosphorylation cascade. (see Fig. 11.10, page 215)

3) What are protein phosphatases and why are they so important?

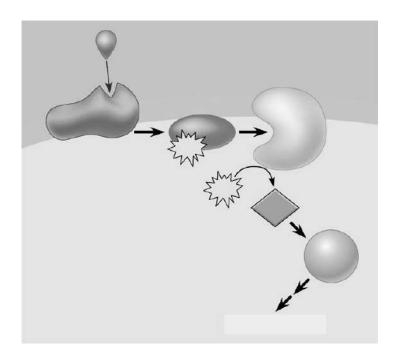
4) What are **second messengers** and what are two characteristics of a second messenger (& why are these characteristics significant)?

5) What did Sutherland find in his experiments with regard to epinephrine and cyclic AMP and why is this important?

6) What is adenylyl cyclase?

7) Complete the diagram here of cAMP as second messenger: (see fig. 11.12)

8) How does the **cholera bacterium** (& how this microbe causes disease) connect with the concepts of cell to cell communication?



9) How does the drug known as Viagra work? Why was it originally prescribed for chest pain?

10) **How and why** are the calcium concentrations kept different and separate comparing the endoplasmic reticulum, mitochondria and cytoplasm?

11) Label the diagram below showing nuclear responses to a signal. (see fig. 11.15)
12) How is signal amplification accomplished in the cell?
13) How is specificity accomplished in cell signaling?
14) What is a scaffolding protein and why is it important?

17) What is APOPTOSIS? What is the role of apoptosis in embryonic development?

18) Which diseases are thought to involve errors in apoptosis? (either too much or too little apoptosis?)