

Introduction to Botany

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Lecture 8

1 Photosynthesis

- Light stage: electron transport, synthesis of ATP and NADPH

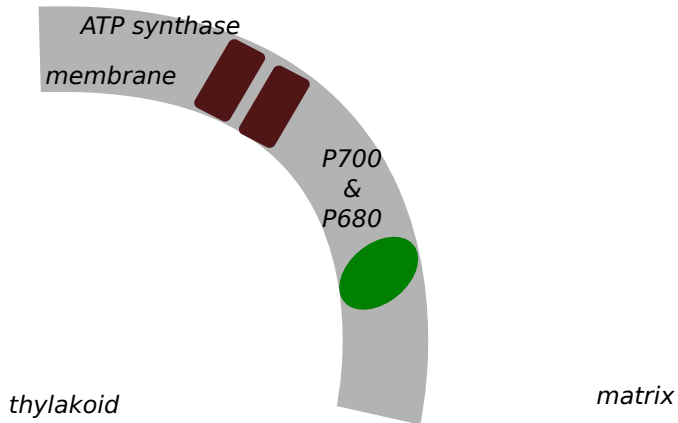
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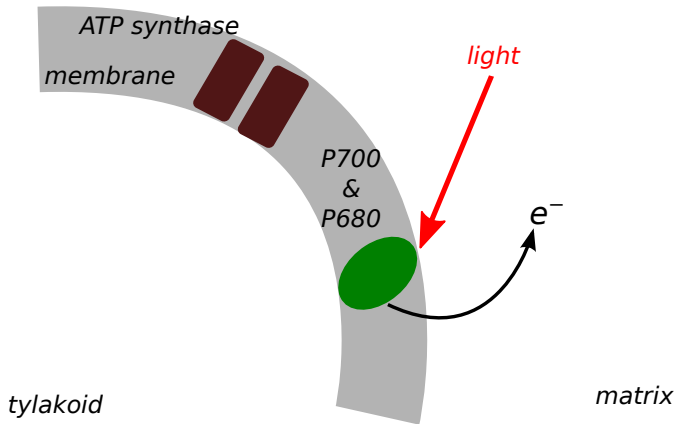
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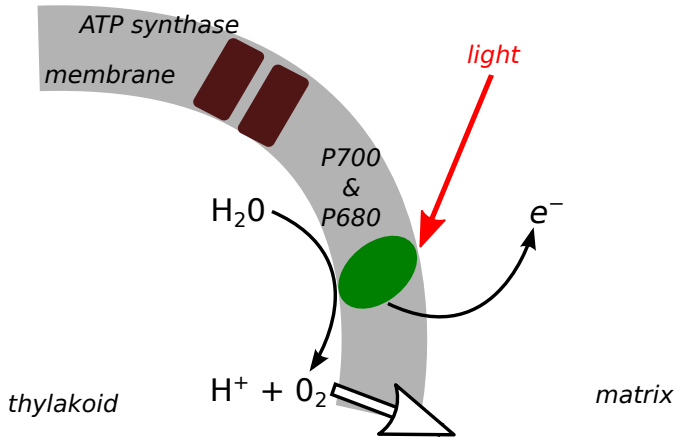
Participants of light stage

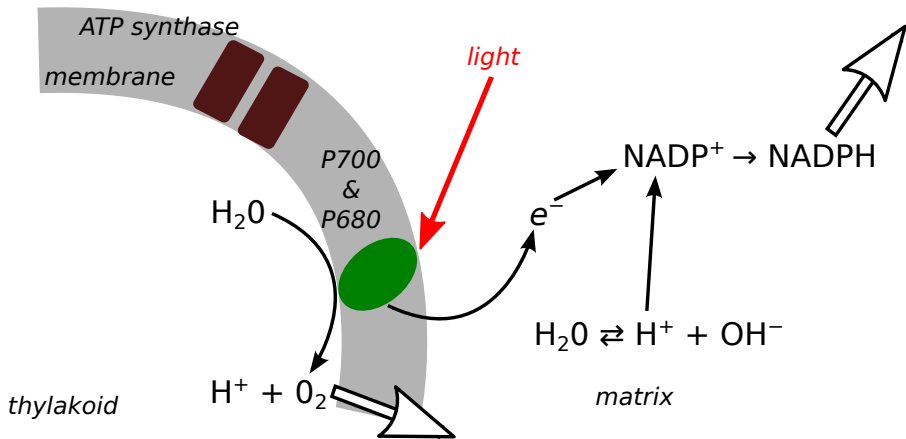
- A Chlorophyll (photosystems II and I)
- B Light
- C Water
- D ATP synthase (ATPase)
- E Protons (H^+)
- F Hydrogen carrier ($NADP^+$)

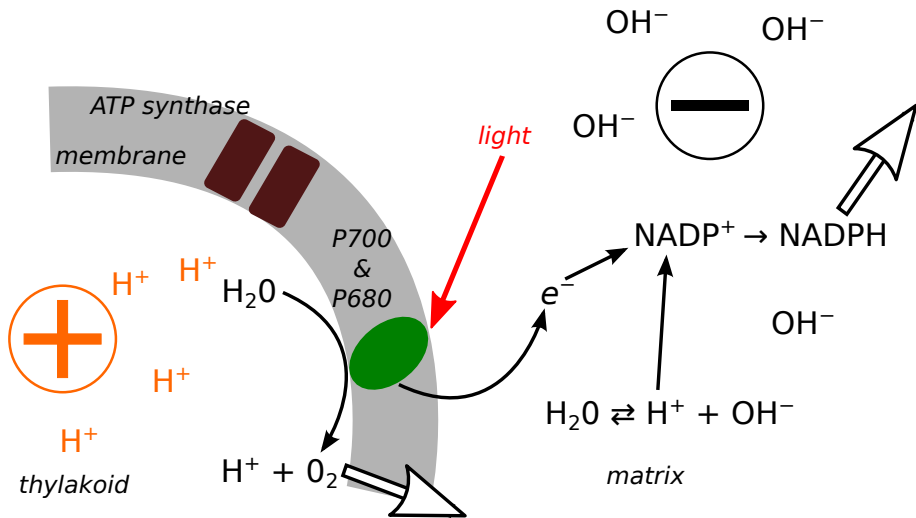
Where: around thylakoid membrane

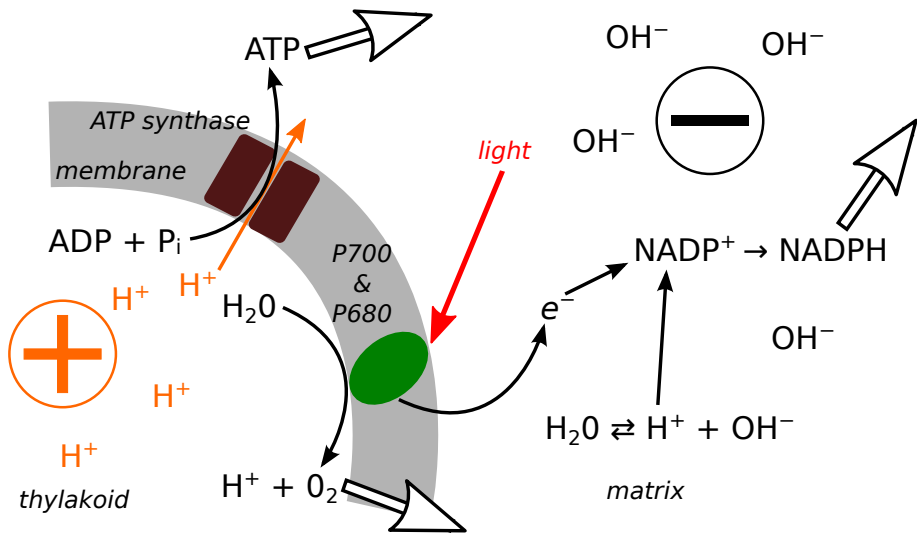












Main events of light stage

- A Chlorophyll + Light \longrightarrow Electron (e^-) + Chlorophyll⁺
- B $e^- + H^+$ (from water) + Hydrogen carrier ($NADP^+$) \longrightarrow NADPH
(moves away)
- C $H_2O \longrightarrow H^+$ (accumulates inside) + $e^- + O_2$
- D H^+ (inside) + OH^- (from water, located outside) \implies gradient \implies
proton pump $\implies H_2O$
TOGETHER WITH
 $ADP + P_i$ (inorganic phosphate) \longrightarrow **ATP**

Photosystems

- Photosystem II (P_{680} , contains chlorophylls and carotene):
 - A decomposes water;
 - B forwards electron to Photosystem I;
 - C makes proton gradient
- Photosystem I (P_{700} , contains only chlorophylls) makes NADPH

Photosystems movie

Results of the light stage

At the start	At the end
H ₂ O	H ₂ O (result of pump) and O ₂
Chlorophylls	Chlorophylls
ADP and P _i (inorganic phosphate)	ATP
NADP ⁺	NADPH

Quiz question (2 points)

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Explain the role of NADP⁺

Summary

- **Photosynthesis** is a sum of light-dependent and light-independent reactions
- **Light stage** of photosynthesis results in accumulation of energy and hydrogen, and release of oxygen

For Further Reading



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Introduction to Botany [Electronic resource].

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