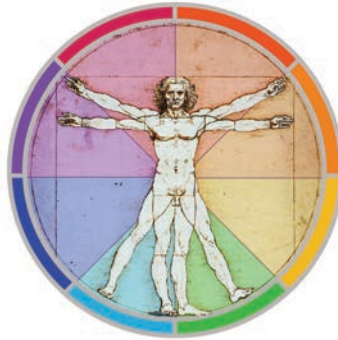


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Lecture 26 – Skeletal Muscle Energy, Types and Function

Topics of Today's Lecture

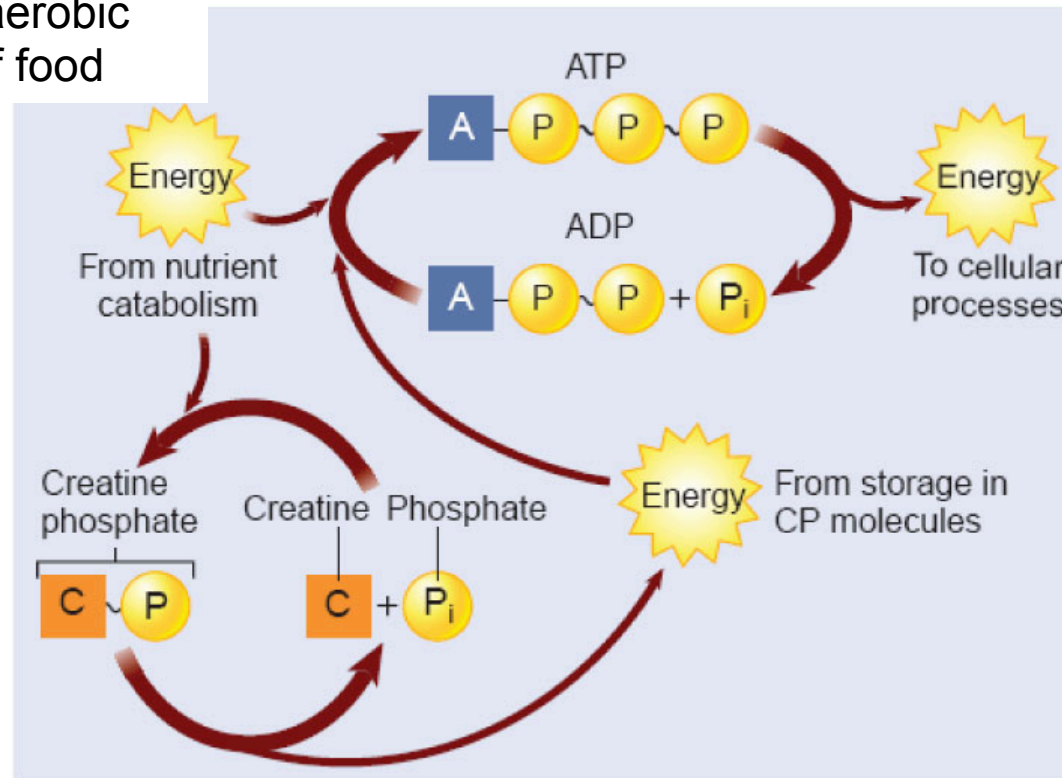
1. Energy Sources for Muscle Contraction
2. Skeletal Muscle Fibre Types
3. Skeletal Muscle Function (Twitch and Tetanus)
4. Exercise & Fatigue



1. Energy Sources for Contraction

Aerobic & anaerobic
metabolism of food

CP stored in
muscle

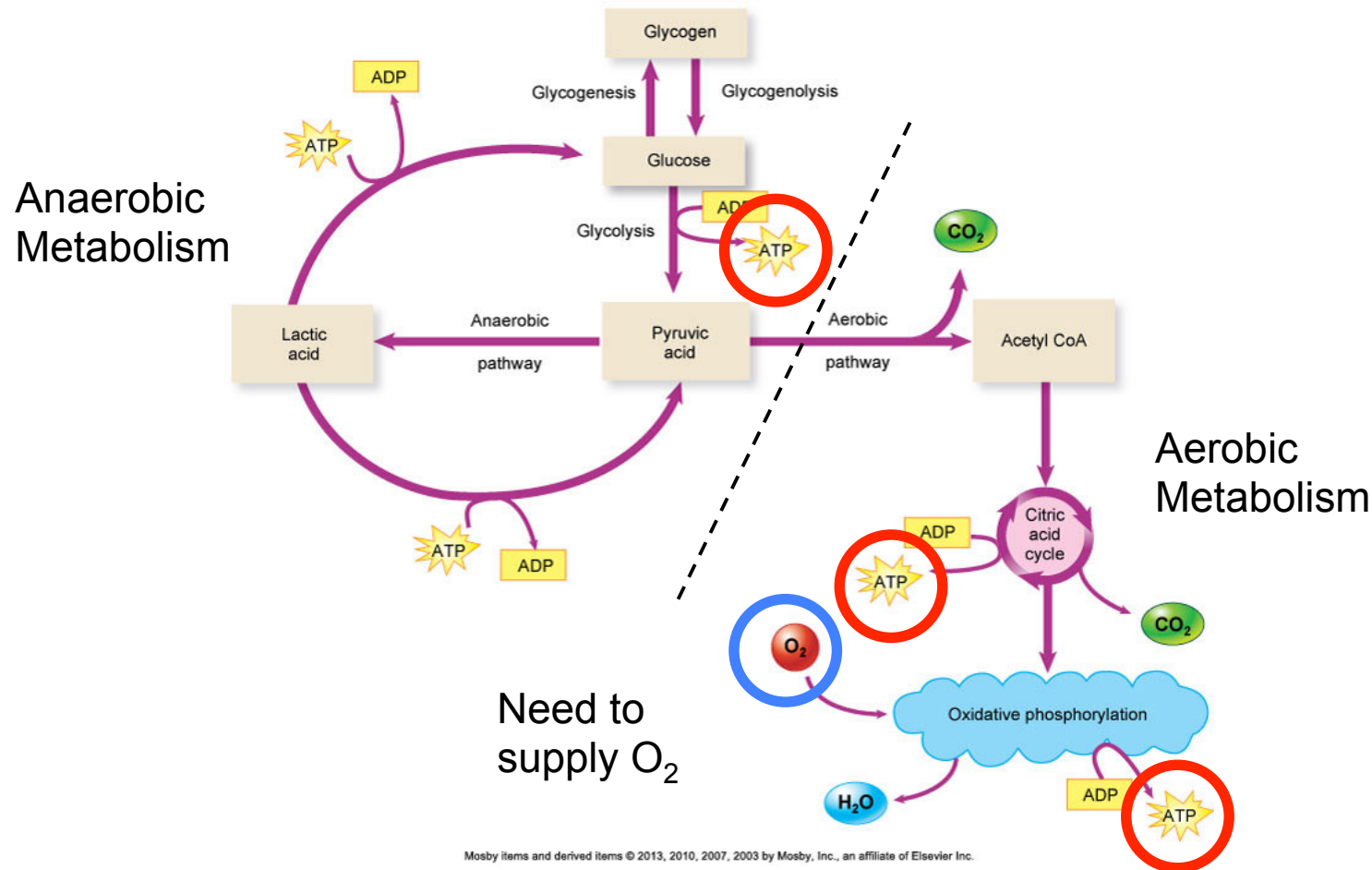


Limited stores of
ATP in muscle
 \approx 2-4 s contraction

CP breakdown can
resynthesis ATP
 \approx 20 s contraction

ATP = adenosine triphosphate
ADP = adenosine diphosphate
 P_i = inorganic phosphate
CP = creatine phosphate

1. Energy Sources for Contraction



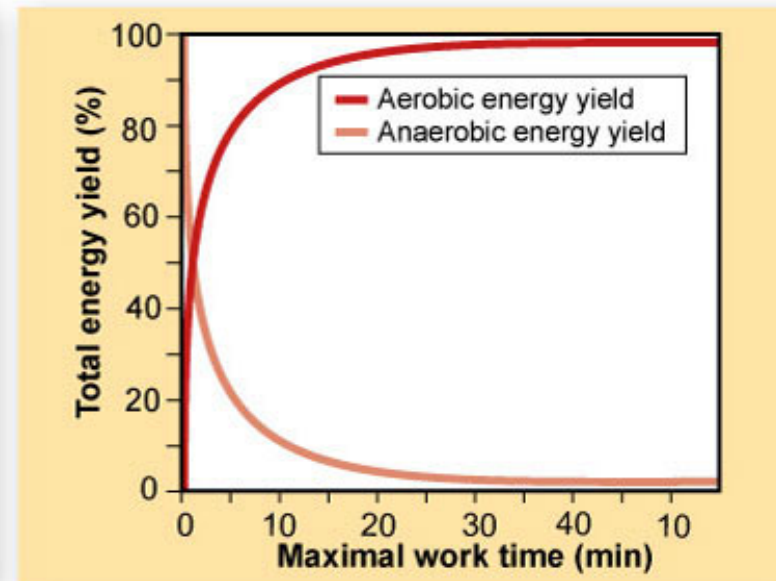
1. Energy Sources for Contraction

1. Anaerobic

- short term
- fast energy production
- no O₂ required
- ATP, CP, glycolysis

2. Aerobic

- long term, steady
- slower energy production
- O₂ required
- Oxidative phosphorylation



Skeletal Muscle Mechanism of Contraction

1. Excitation

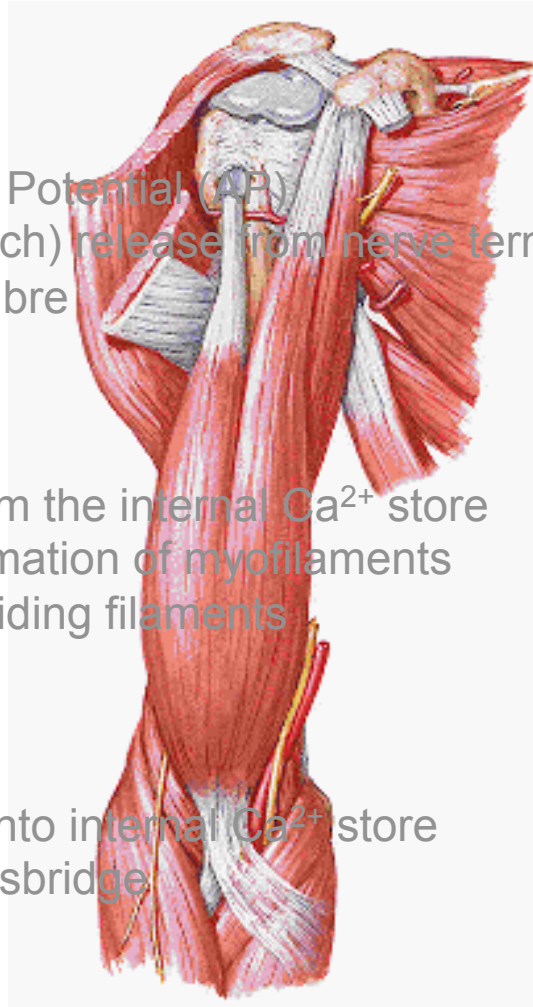
- Neuronal Action Potential (AP)
- Acetylcholine (Ach) release from nerve terminal
- AP on Muscle Fibre

2. Contraction

- Ca^{2+} release from the internal Ca^{2+} store
- Crossbridge formation of myofilaments
- Contraction – Sliding filaments

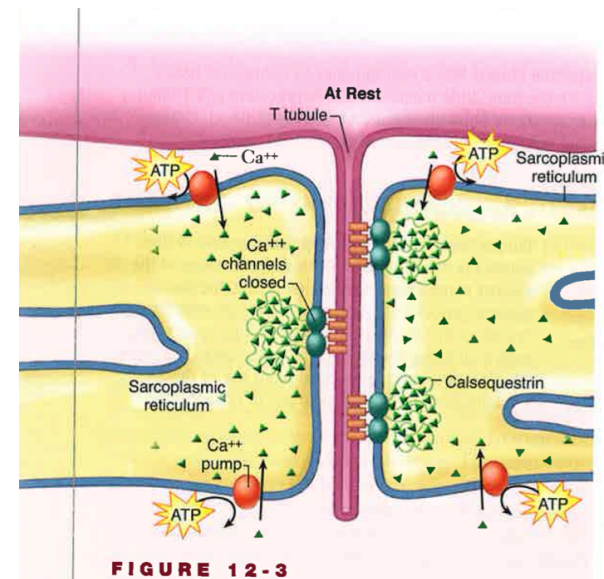
3. Relaxation

- Ca^{2+} re-uptake into internal Ca^{2+} store
- Uncoupling crossbridge

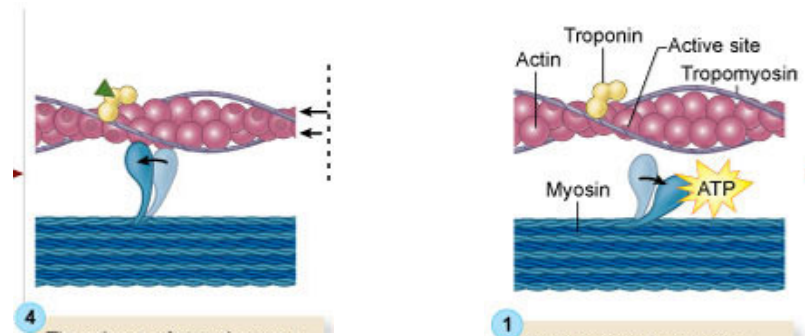


1. Energy for “Relaxation”

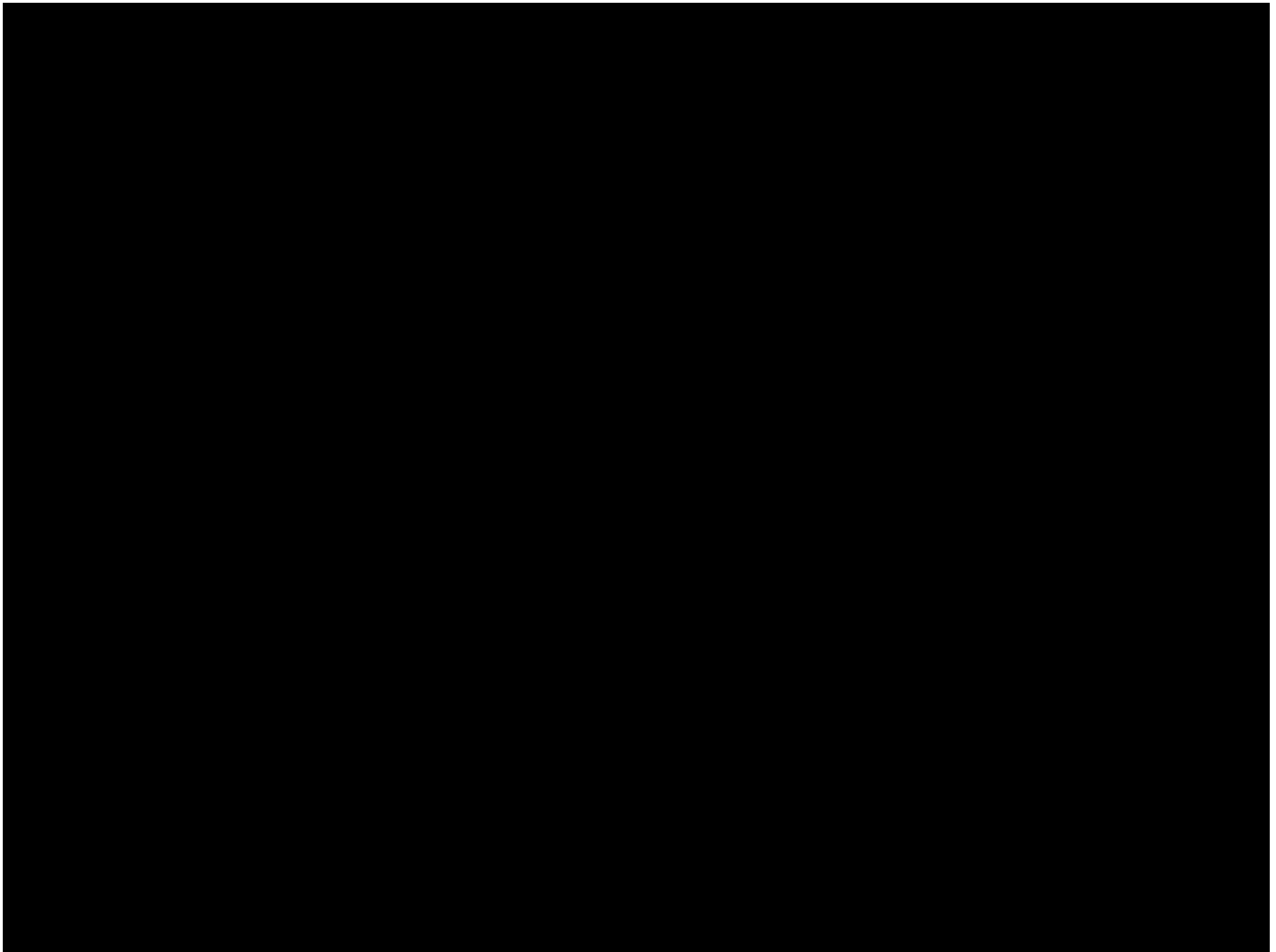
- Ca^{2+} re-uptake into the SR



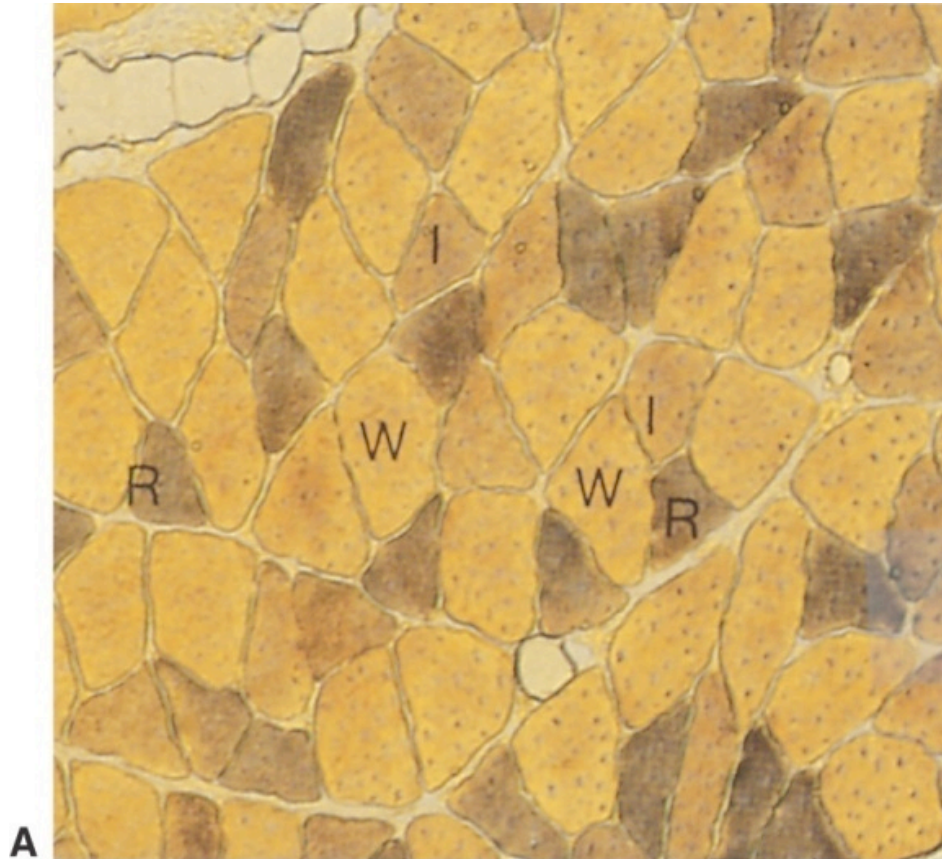
- Uncoupling of Crossbridge



What happens if you run out of energy (ATP)?



2. Muscle Fibre Types – Metabolic



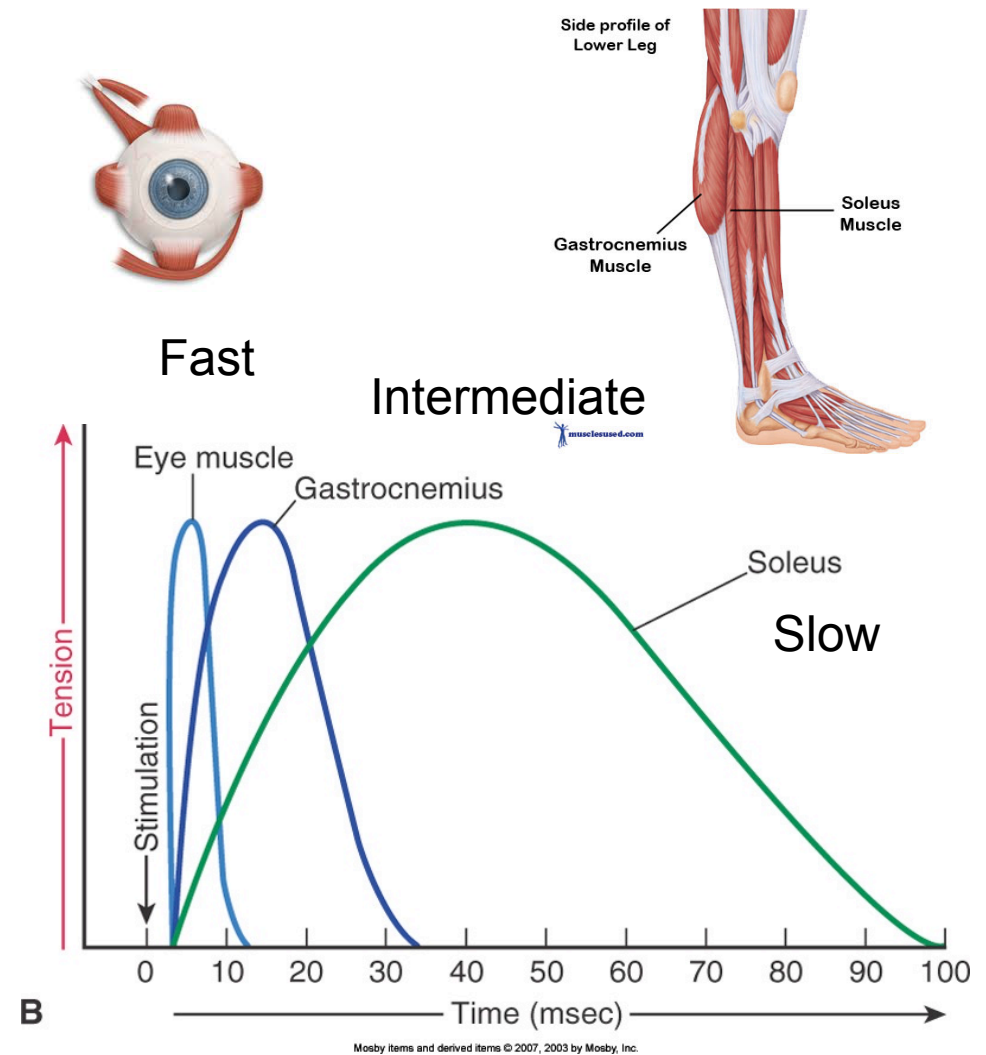
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- “Red”
 - High myoglobin
 - High aerobic enzymes
- “White”
 - Low myoglobin
 - Low aerobic enzymes
- “Intermediate”

- Oxygen binds to hemoglobin in blood,and to myoglobin in muscle
- Both pigments colour red due to oxygen iron (Fe) binding

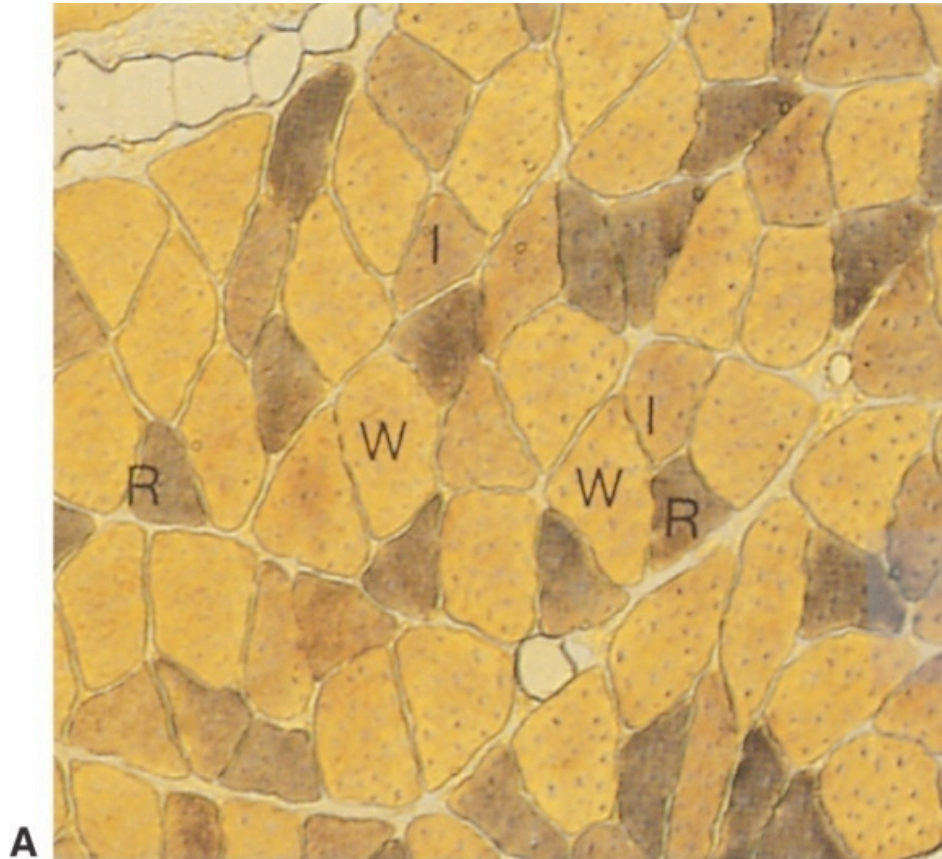
2. Muscle Fibre Types – Function

- Slow (Myosin type I) “Red”
 - Slow rate interaction with actin
 - Slow force production
 - Slow energy consumption
 - Sustained by aerobic metabolism
- Fast (Myosin type IIx) “White”
 - Fast rate interaction with actin
 - Fast force production
 - Fast energy consumption
 - Use anaerobic metabolism



- Intermediate (Myosin type IIa) “Intermediate”

2. Muscle Fibre Types – Metabolic



- “Red” / Slow
- “White” / Fast
- “Intermediate”

Depending on their function muscles are dominated by one fibre type
or a **mix of fibre types**

2. Muscle Fibre Types – Function



Track Cycling World Championship Men Team Sprint 2016

3 laps – 43 seconds - 60 km/h average

World Class Sprinters

- Need explosive power
- Short duration
- Anaerobic metabolism
- Need relative less oxygen

Leg muscles develop higher proportion of FAST/**WHITE** and **INTERMEDIATE** fibres

2. Muscle Fibre Types – Function



World Speed Skating Championships
Bronze at Men's 5000 meters on 9th of Feb 2017
6 min 11.67 sec (12 ½ round)

World Class “Endurance” Athlete

Needs fatigue resistance
Pace slower – needs endurance
Uses aerobic metabolism

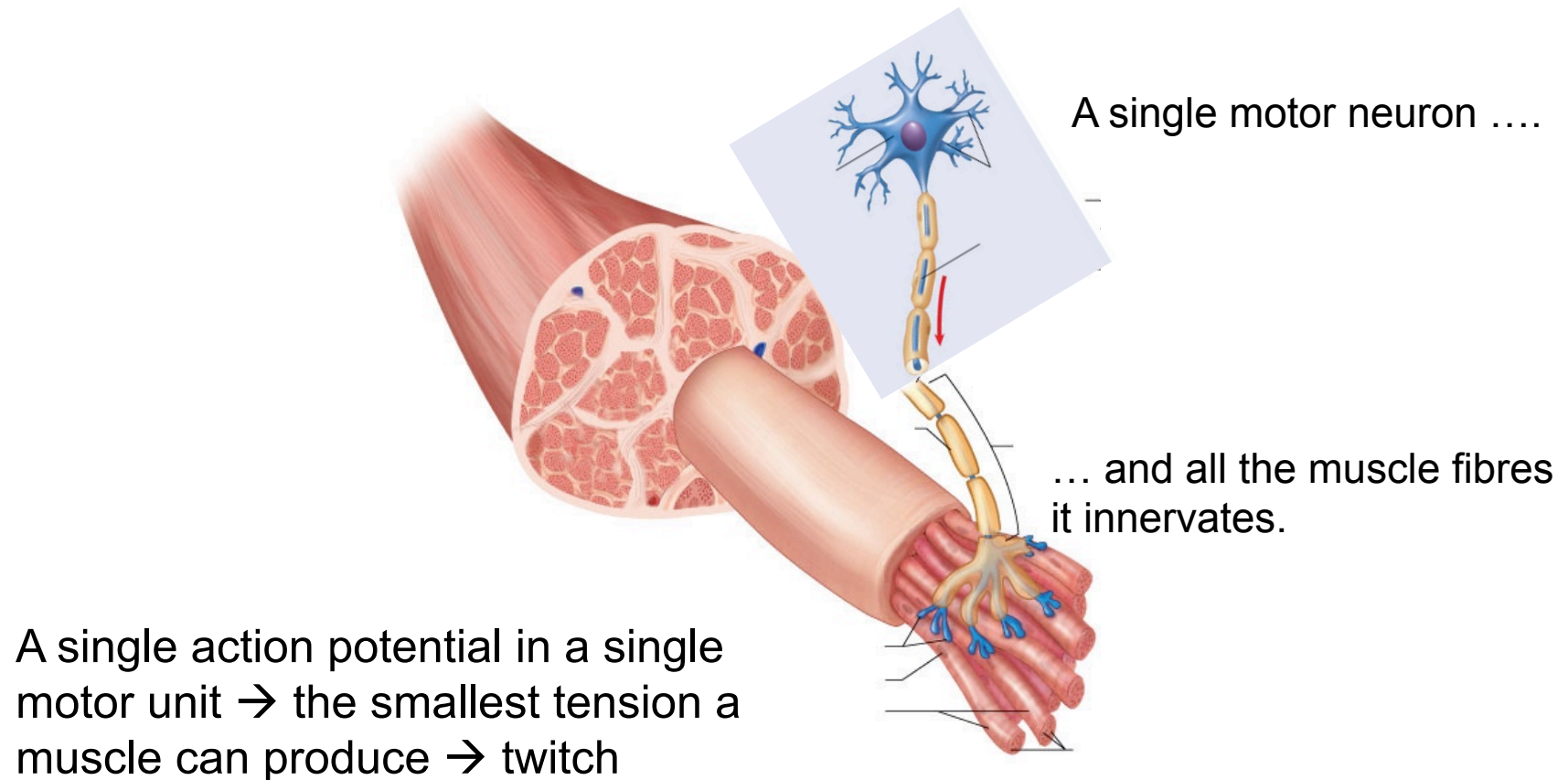
Leg muscles develop higher proportion of
SLOW/**RED** and **INTERMEDIATE** fibres
(+ adaptations for supply of O₂)

Question!

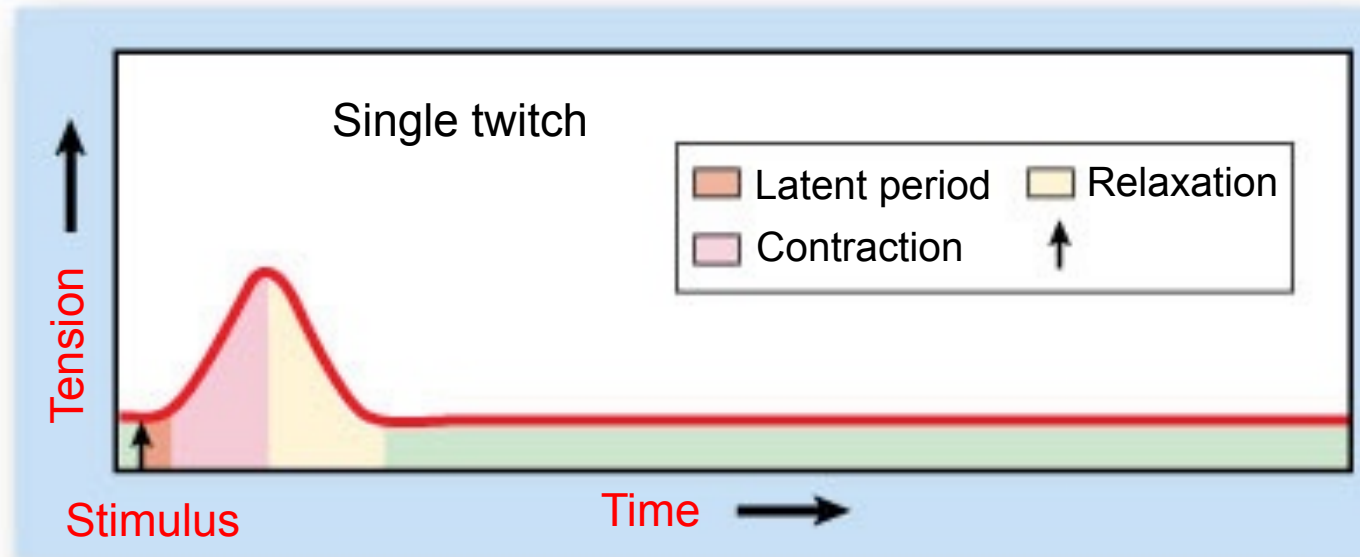
The energy required for muscle contraction is obtained by hydrolysis of ATP. Which statement related to maximal muscle contraction is correct?

- A. ATP stores provide energy for 2-4 minutes, and creatine phosphate (CP) provides energy for ATP resynthesis for 20 minutes.
- B. ATP stores provide energy for 2-4 seconds, and CP provides energy for ATP resynthesis for 20 seconds.
- C. ATP stores provide energy for 2-4 minutes, and can only be resynthesised in the presence of oxygen.
- D. ATP stores provide energy for 2-4 seconds, and can only be resynthesised in the presence of oxygen.
- E. None of the above is correct.

3. Skeletal Muscle Function

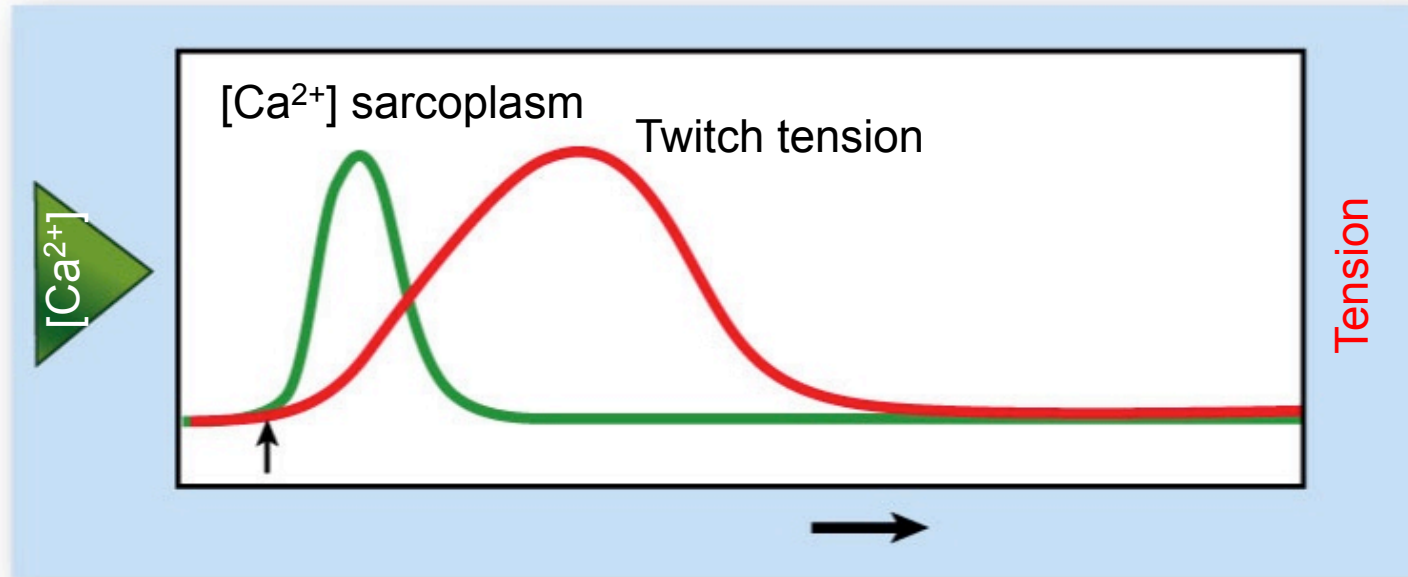


3. Skeletal Muscle Function - Twitch



- A single electrical stimulation of a muscle → a single activation of many motor units = a twitch of the muscle

3. Skeletal Muscle Function - Twitch

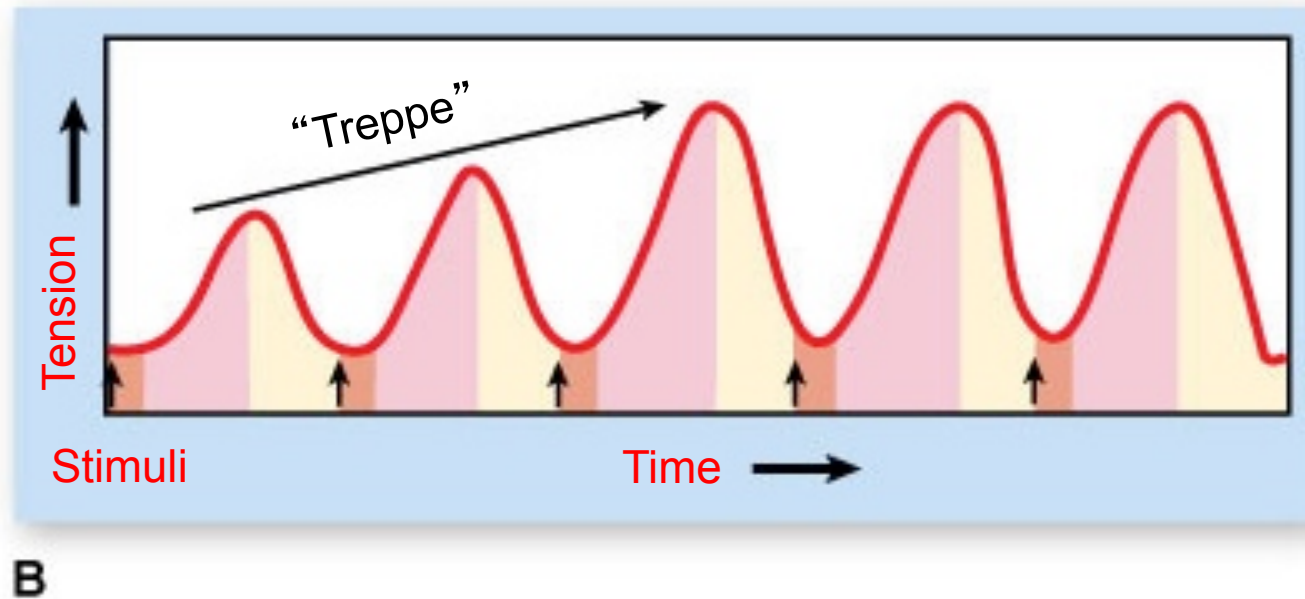


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- A twitch is a mechanical event
- To build up and decline tension in a muscle takes longer than the underlying biochemical processes (Ca^{2+} cycling)
- **Single twitches can occur spontaneously, but usually do not**
- Electrically-evoked twitches are used to study muscle function

3. Skeletal Muscle Function - Twitches

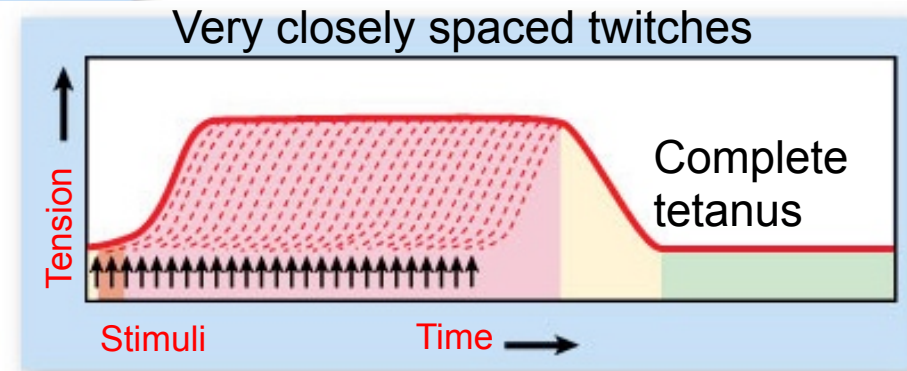
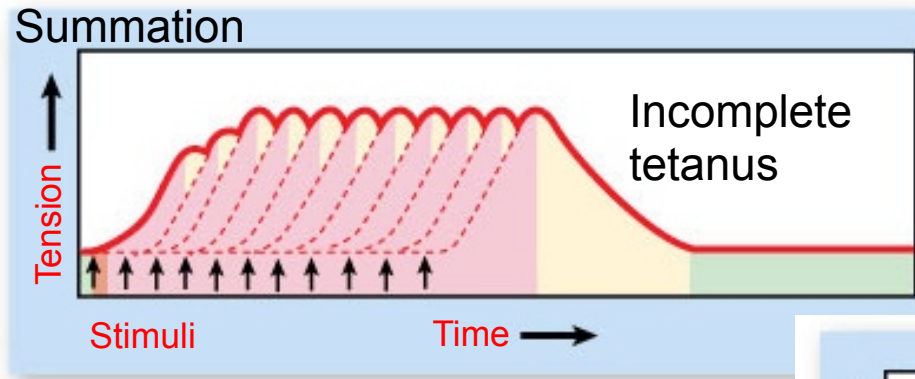
Series of spaced twitches



- Repeated stimuli cause increasing levels of tension, due to:
 - Sustained higher levels of sarcoplasmic Ca^{2+}
 - Actin-myosin interactions become more sensitive to Ca^{2+}
 - Heat (at higher temperature it can produce more tension)

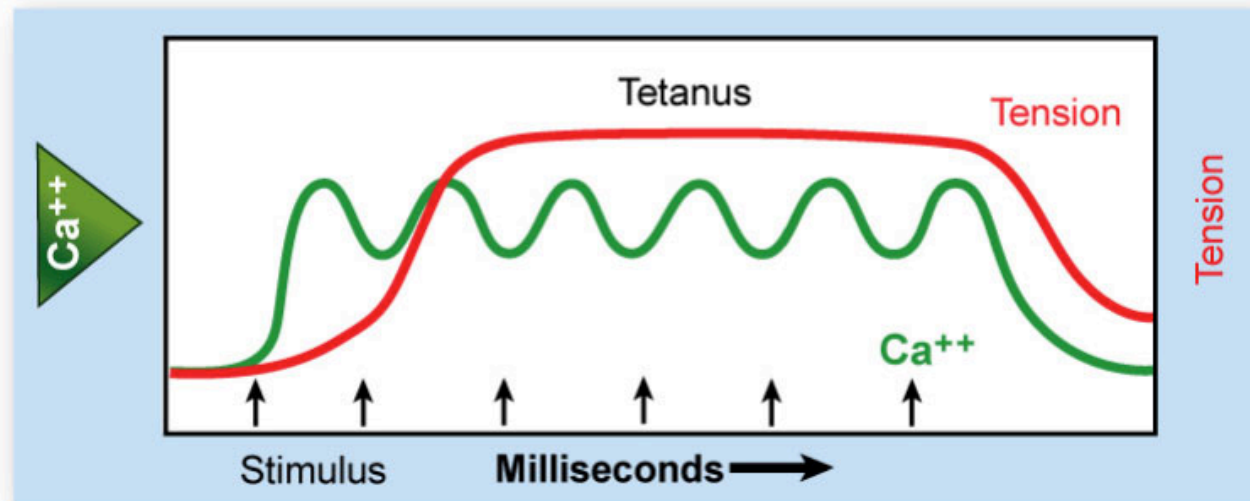
3. Skeletal Muscle Function - Tetanus

Series of closely spaced twitches



- Rapidly repeated stimuli cause even higher levels of tension = summation
- “Incomplete Tetanus” – fluctuations from individual twitches visible
- Physiological phenomenon is named after the disease (tetanus, bacterial infection) which produces uncontrollable sustained contractions

3. Skeletal Muscle Function - Tetanus



- Main mechanism of summation = sustained higher level of $[Ca^{2+}]$ in sarcoplasm
- Actin-myosin interactions become more sensitive to Ca^{2+}
- Heat

**Tetanus is contractile state reached in most of the skeletal muscle fibres
most of time**

4. Exercise and Fatigue: Training



Strength training

Increase # contractile filaments (hypertrophy)
More power
Improved anaerobic metabolism



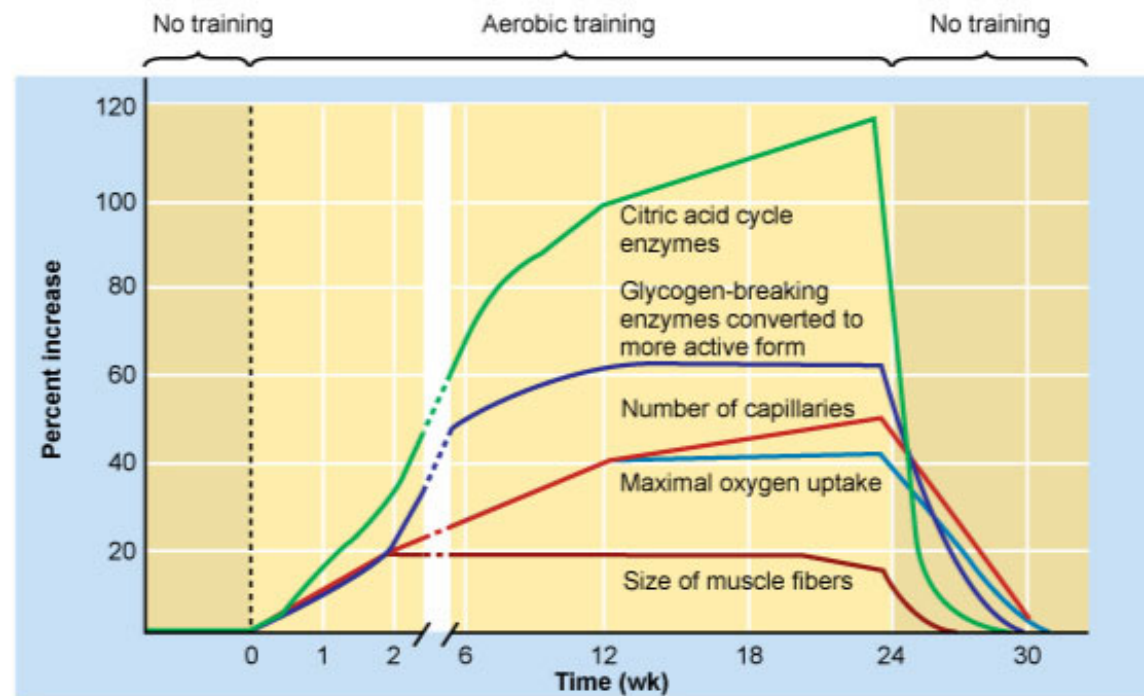
Disuse

Loss # contractile filaments (atrophy)
Less power



Endurance training

Increase blood supply to muscle, more # blood vessels, more mitochondria, more aerobic enzymes
Improved aerobic metabolism



4. Exercise and Fatigue: Exhaustion



Suzanne Stokes said she gave Iron Man a go after her husband Ken was diagnosed with cancer last year. Source: 1 NEWS 08-03-2017

- A state of exhaustion (loss of strength or endurance) produced by strenuous muscle activity

Physiological fatigue

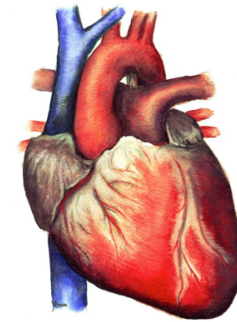
- ATP depletion, secondary to depletion of glucose, glycogen & O_2
- Build up of metabolic by-products: e.g. P_i and lactic acid

Psychological fatigue

- Feedback from working muscles to brain produces sensation of fatigue, even though muscle is still capable of contracting

Tomorrow!

Cardiac Muscle



Smooth Muscle



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