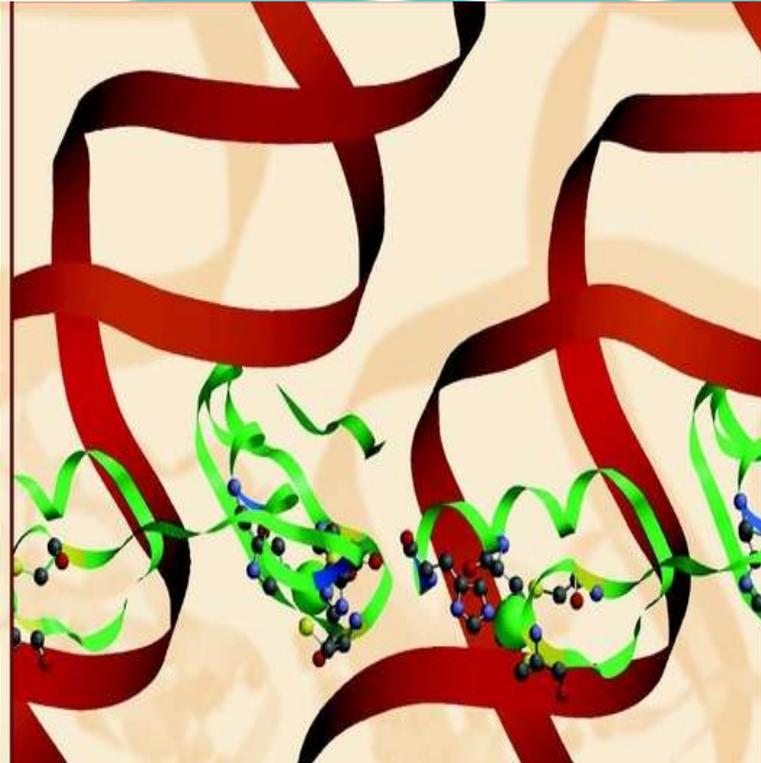


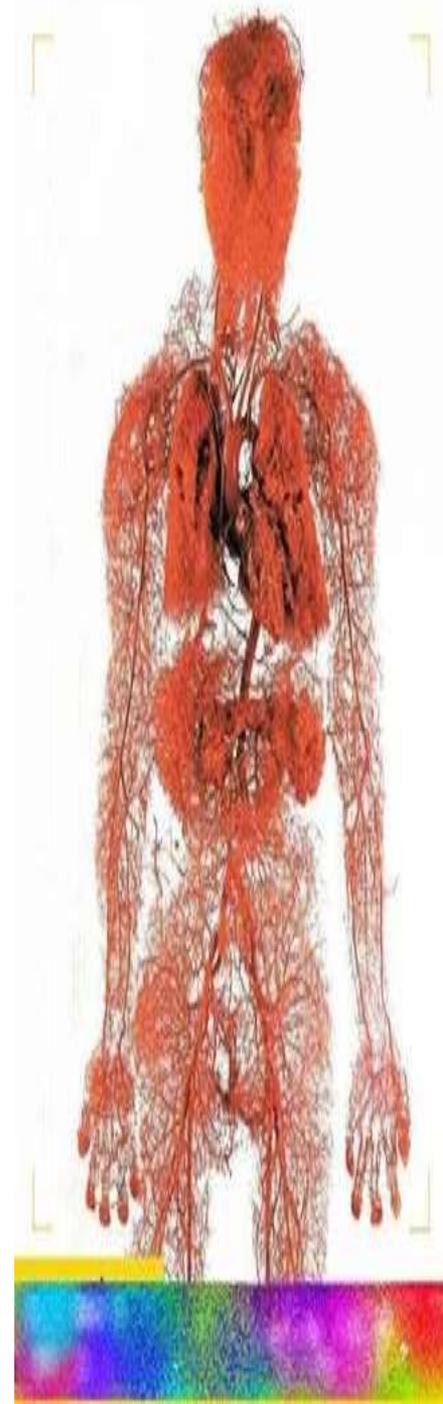
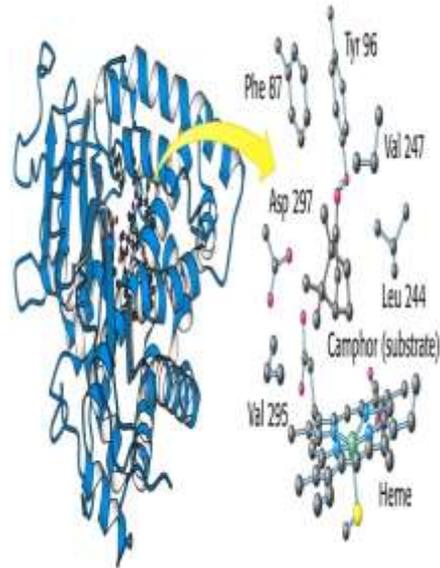
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# Enzymes

## Catalysis, Mechanism and Inhibition

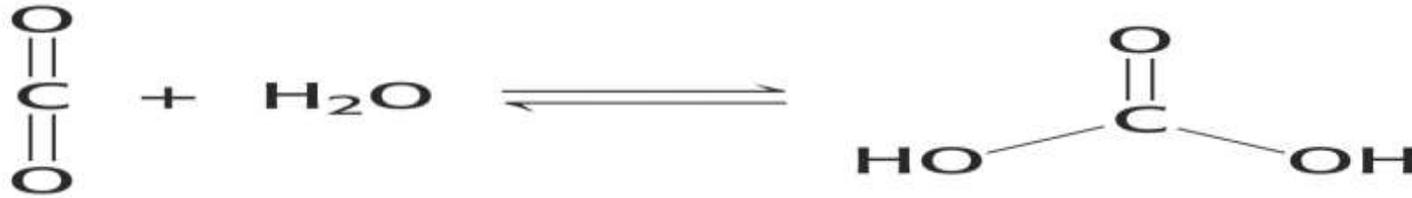
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# **Enzymes as catalysts**

- *It is necessary for biological reactions to occur much quicker than the ambient.*
  - “Catalyst” a substance that when added to a chemical reaction, speeds it up without altering the final products or without itself being consumed.
  - Enzymes are **biological catalysts**

# Enzymes accelerate Reactions



**Carbonic anhydrase:** an enzyme in the blood hydrating  $\text{CO}_2$

Transfer of  $\text{CO}_2$  from the tissue  $\rightarrow$  blood  $\rightarrow$  release into air  
 $\rightarrow$  one of the fastest enzymes  $\rightarrow$  hydrates  $10^6$  molecules/sec

TABLE 8.1 Rate enhancement by selected enzymes

Enzyme	Nonenzymatic half-life	Uncatalyzed rate ( $k_{\text{un}}\text{s}^{-1}$ )	Catalyzed rate ( $k_{\text{cat}}\text{s}^{-1}$ )	Rate enhancement ( $k_{\text{cat}}\text{s}^{-1}/k_{\text{un}}\text{s}^{-1}$ )
OMP decarboxylase	78,000,000 years	$2.8 \times 10^{-16}$	39	$1.4 \times 10^{17}$
Staphylococcal nuclease	130,000 years	$1.7 \times 10^{-13}$	95	$5.6 \times 10^{14}$
AMP nucleosidase	69,000 years	$1.0 \times 10^{-11}$	60	$6.0 \times 10^{12}$
Carboxypeptidase A	7.3 years	$3.0 \times 10^{-9}$	578	$1.9 \times 10^{11}$
Ketosteroid isomerase	7 weeks	$1.7 \times 10^{-7}$	66,000	$3.9 \times 10^{11}$
Triose phosphate isomerase	1.9 days	$4.3 \times 10^{-6}$	4,300	$1.0 \times 10^9$
Chorismate mutase	7.4 hours	$2.6 \times 10^{-5}$	50	$1.9 \times 10^6$
Carbonic anhydrase	5 seconds	$1.3 \times 10^{-1}$	$1 \times 10^6$	$7.7 \times 10^6$

Abbreviations: OMP, orotidine monophosphate; AMP, adenosine monophosphate.

Source: After A. Radzicka and R. Wofenden. *Science* 267 (1995):90–93.

Niacin is a precursor to nicotinamide

# Enzymes require Cofactors

**TABLE 8.2 Enzyme cofactors**

Apo  
enzyme  
+  
cofactor  
  
-> Holo  
enzyme

Cofactor	Enzyme
<b>Coenzyme</b>	
Thiamine pyrophosphate	Pyruvate dehydrogenase
Flavin adenine nucleotide	Monoamine oxidase
Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide	Lactate dehydrogenase
Pyridoxal phosphate	Glycogen phosphorylase
Coenzyme A (CoA)	Acetyl CoA carboxylase
Biotin	Pyruvate carboxylase
5'-Deoxyadenosyl cobalamin	Methylmalonyl mutase
Tetrahydrofolate	Thymidylate synthase
 <b>Metal</b>	
Zn <sup>2+</sup>	Carbonic anhydrase
Zn <sup>2+</sup>	Carboxypeptidase
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	<i>EcoRV</i>
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	Hexokinase
Ni <sup>2+</sup>	Urease
Mo	Nitrate reductase
Se	Glutathione peroxidase
Mn	Superoxide dismutase
K <sup>+</sup>	Propionyl CoA carboxylase

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Niacin is a precursor to  
nicotinamide

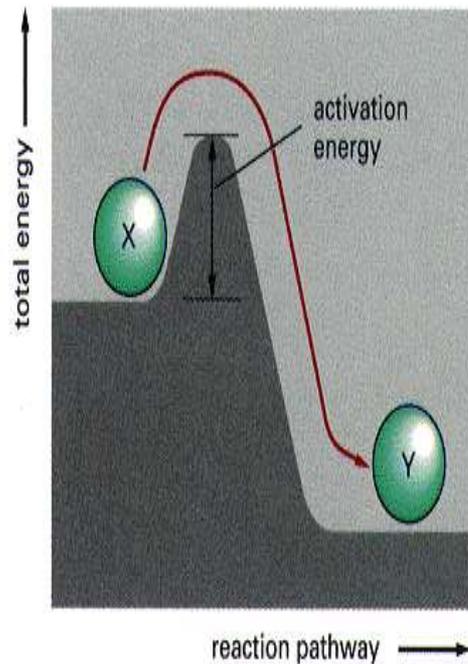
NAD<sup>+</sup> as Cofactor Hartnup disease pellagra-like dermatosis"

# *The enzyme classification(EC number)*

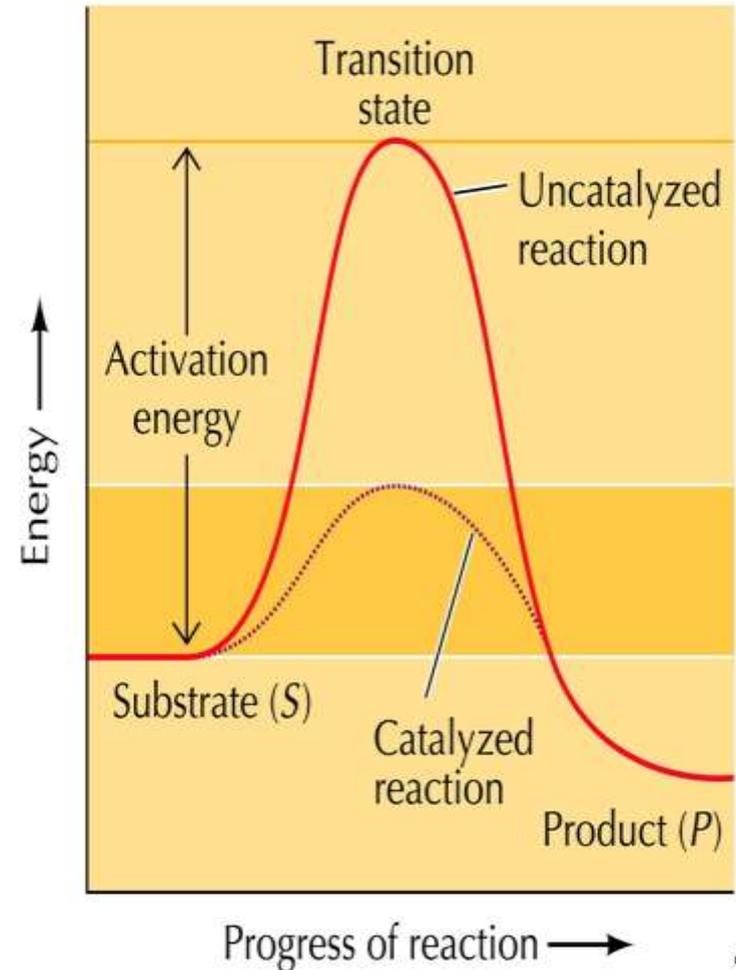
**TABLE 8.3** Six major classes of enzymes

Class	Type of reaction	Example	Chapter
1. Oxidoreductases	Oxidation-reduction	Lactate dehydrogenase	16
2. Transferases	Group transfer	Nucleoside monophosphate kinase (NMP kinase)	9
3. Hydrolases	Hydrolysis reactions (transfer of functional groups to water)	Chymotrypsin	9
4. Lyases	Addition or removal of groups to form double bonds	Fumarase	18
5. Isomerases	Isomerization (intramolecular group transfer)	Triose phosphate isomerase	16
6. Ligases	Ligation of two substrates at the expense of ATP hydrolysis	Aminoacyl-tRNA synthetase	29

- Enzymes DO NOT change the **equilibrium constant** of a reaction
- Enzymes DO NOT alter the amount of energy consumed or liberated in the reaction (**standard free energy change,  $\Delta G^\circ$** )
- Enzymes DO increase the rate of reactions that are otherwise possible
- Enzymes DO decrease the **activation energy** of a reaction ( **$\Delta G^\ddagger$** )



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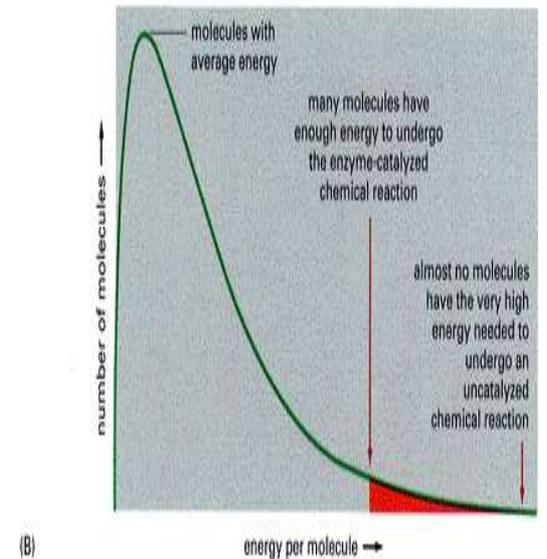
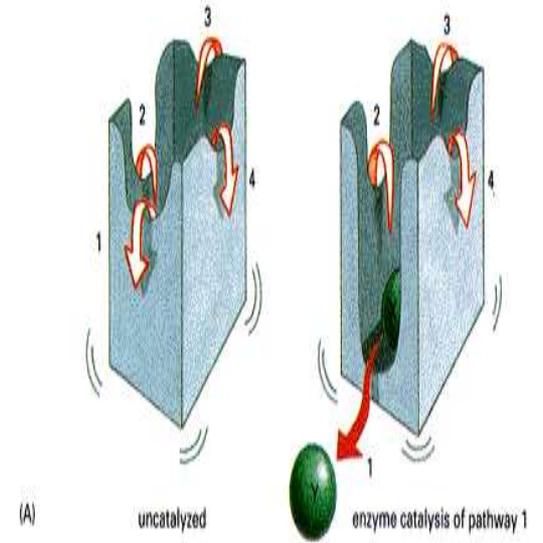
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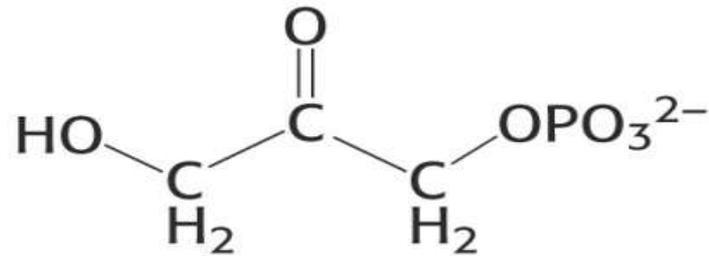
*. In order for a reaction to take place between two molecules, the molecules must first find each other.*

*-This is why the rate of a reaction is dependent upon the concentrations of the reactants, since there is a higher probability that two molecules will collide at high concentrations.*

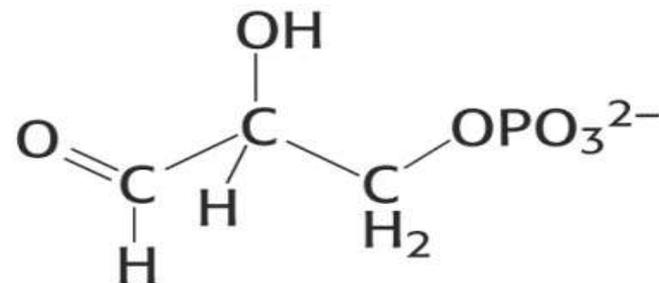
*The enzyme organizes the reaction at the active site, thereby reducing the cost in terms of **ENTROPY**.*



Example: conversion of DHAP into GAP

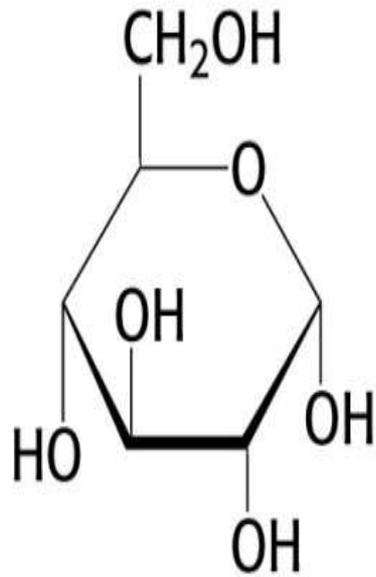


**Dihydroxyacetone  
phosphate  
(DHAP)**



**Glyceraldehyde  
3-phosphate  
(GAP)**

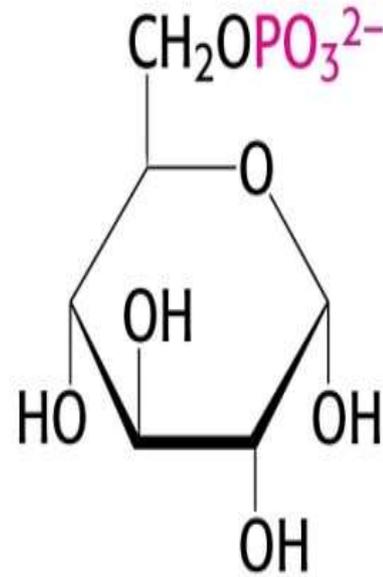
## Enzymes reactions



**Glucose**

+ ATP

Hexokinase



**Glucose 6-phosphate  
(G-6P)**

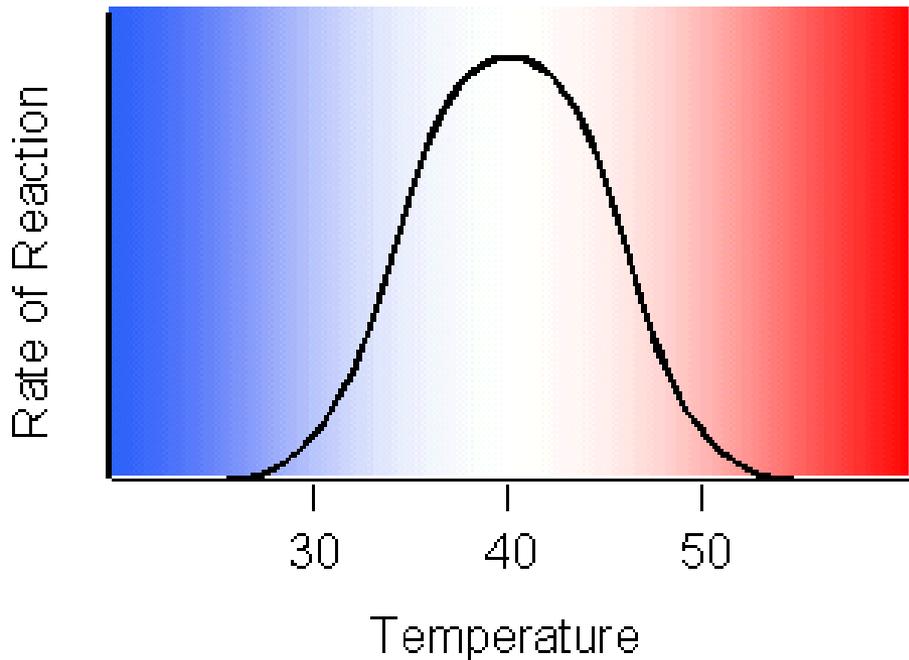
+ ADP + H<sup>+</sup>

- **Enzymes provide many medical benefits**
  - *key to understanding inborn errors of metabolism*
  - *important in reactions*
  - *targets of chemotherapy*
  - *aid in diagnosis and monitoring therapy*
  - *primary role of vitamins is as enzyme cofactors*
  - *key to metabolic control and balance*

## Enzyme properties

- All enzymes are proteins
  - *Molecular Weight range: 15 kd-1000 kd*
  - *enzymes show the same physical and chemical properties as all proteins*
    - *Denaturation by T and pH*
    - *Precipitation by heavy metals and salts*
    - *sensitivity to proteases..Inhibitors*
- **Enzymes are efficient biological catalysts which must operate at 37° C or below and at pH values found in living cells ,Sastrate conc. and [S ]conc.**

# **Factors Affecting Enzyme Activity**

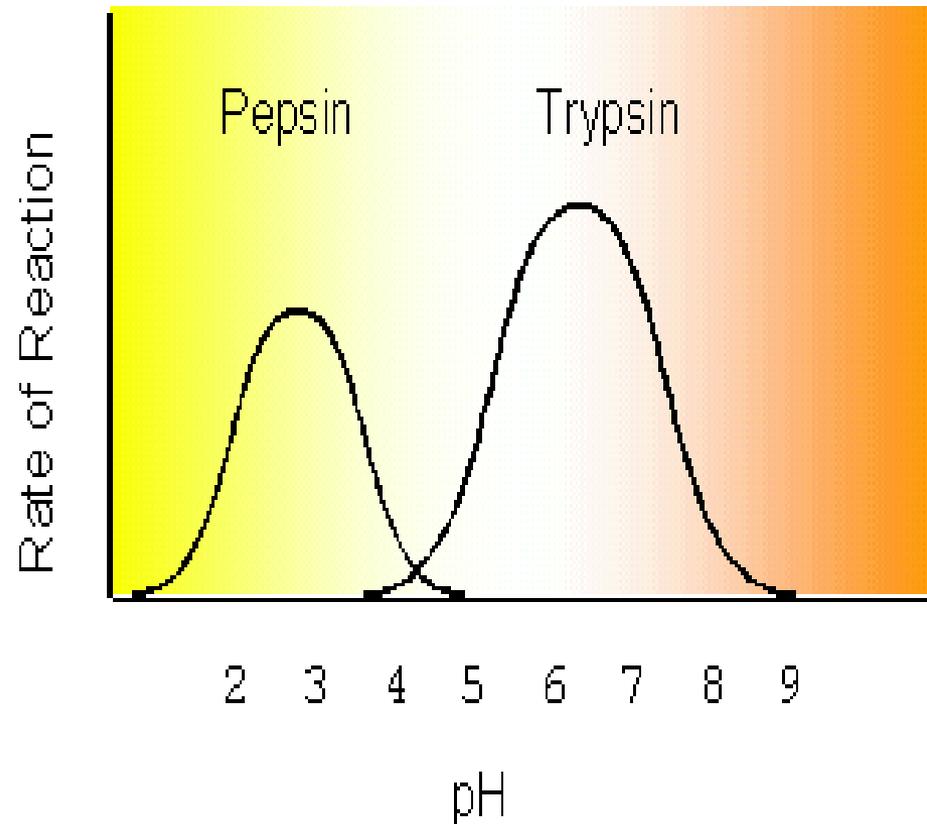


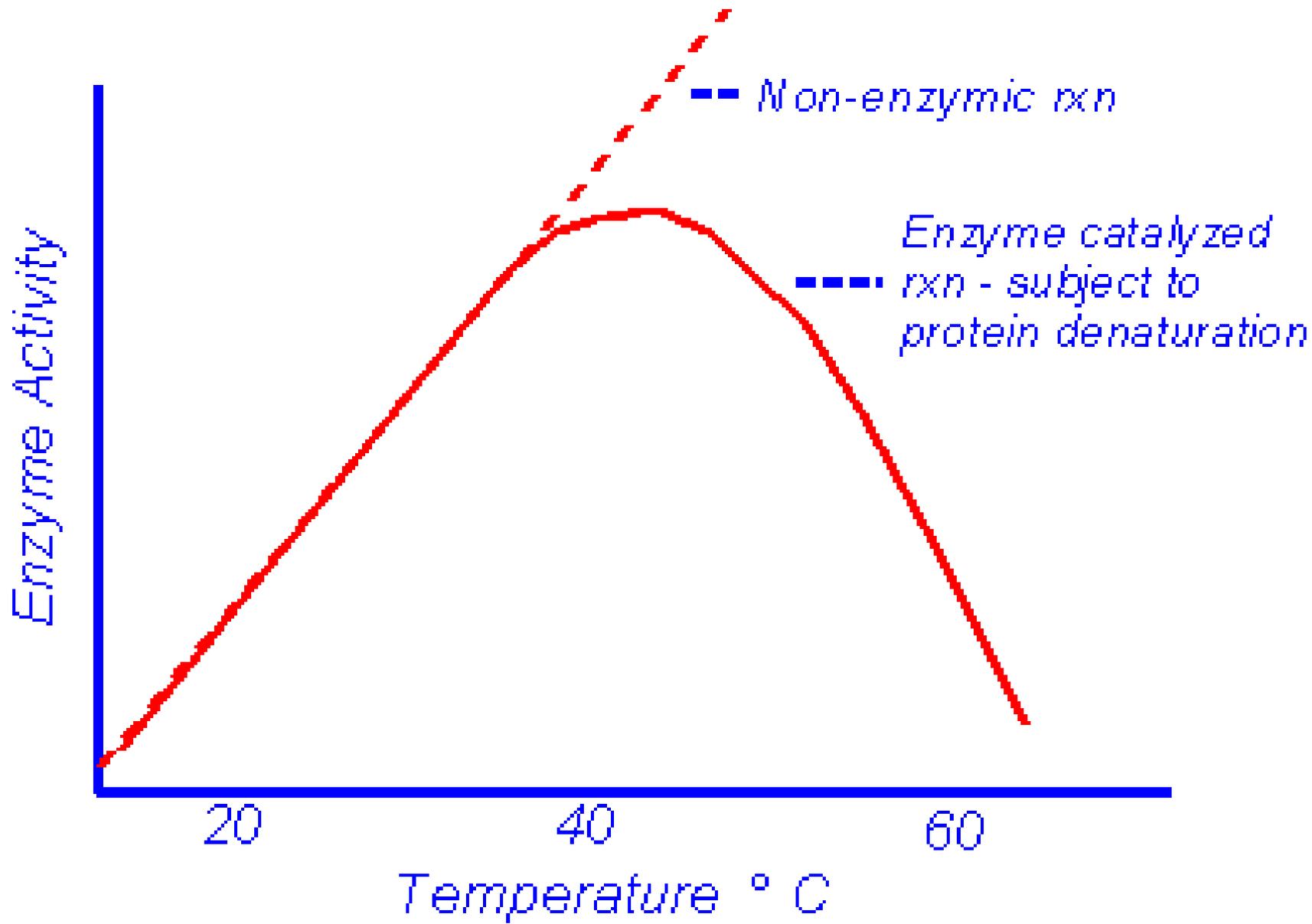
## • Temp

- are most active at an *optimum temperature* (usually 37 °C in humans)
- show little activity at low temperatures
- lose activity at high temperatures as denaturation occurs

## pH

- are most active at *optimum pH*
- contain R groups of amino acids with proper charges at optimum pH
- lose activity in low or high pH as tertiary structure is disrupted





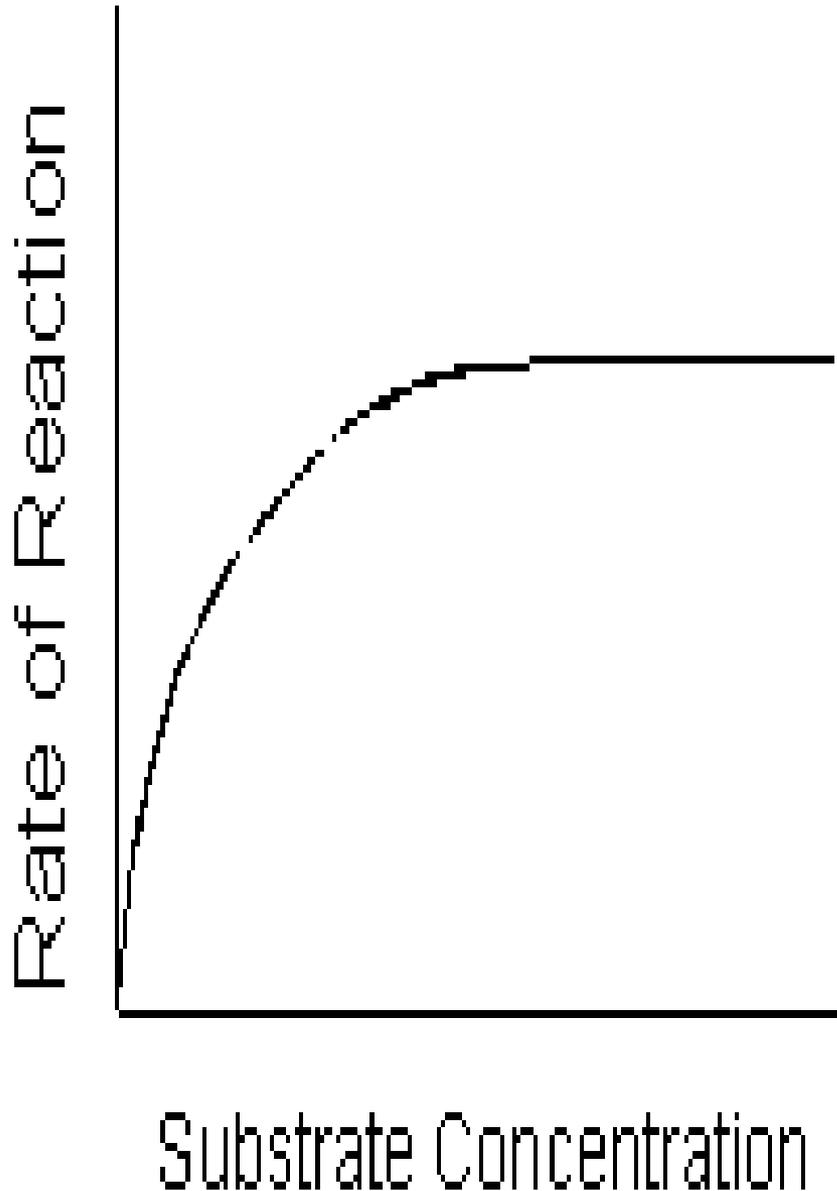
## Optimum pH Values

- ***Enzymes in the body have an optimum pH of about 7.4***
- certain have enzymes that operate at lower and higher optimum pH values

**TABLE 20.5** Optimum pH for Selected Enzymes

Enzyme	Location	Substrate	Optimum pH
Pepsin	Stomach	Peptide bonds	1.5–2.0
Sucrase	Small intestine	Sucrose	6.2
Amylase	Pancreas	Amylose	6.7–7.0
Urease	Liver	Urea	7.0
Trypsin	Small intestine	Peptide bonds	7.7–8.0
Lipase	Pancreas	Lipid (ester bonds)	8.0
Arginase	Liver	Arginine	9.7

[S]



...An increase in *substrate concentration*

- increases the *rate of reaction* (at constant enzyme concentration)
- eventually saturates an enzyme with substrate to give maximum activity



1. Add 10 ml of  $H_2O_2$  to each of 7 labeled beakers.



Control

2. Add 1 ml of catalase to the first beaker at 0 seconds.



3. Allow the reaction to occur for the time shown on the label.



Closer look

4. After the time period, stop the reaction by adding 10 ml of  $H_2SO_4$ .

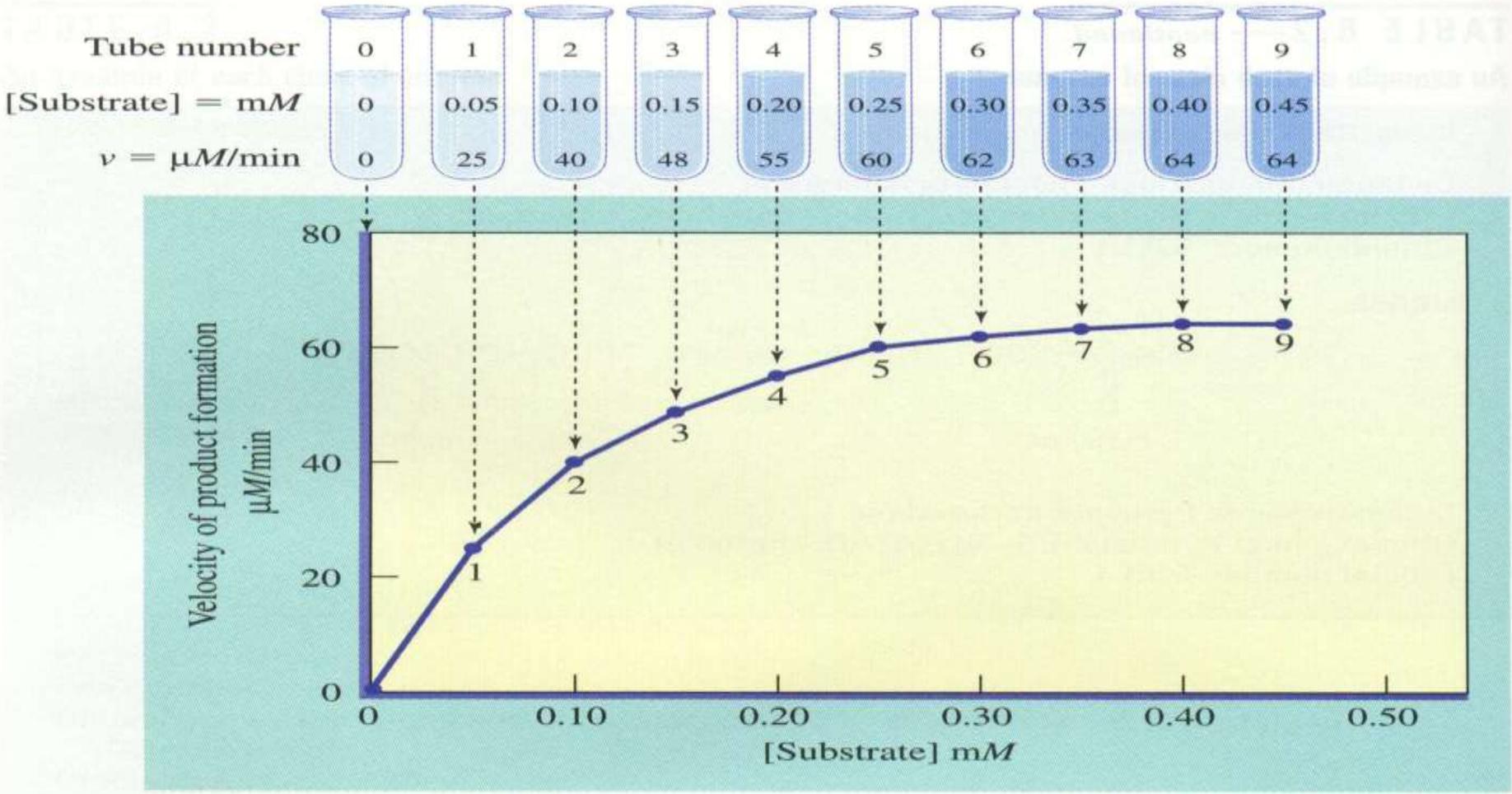


Closer look

5. Repeat the procedure for each beaker for the time shown on its label.



- The **velocity** ( $V$ ) of an enzyme-catalyzed reaction is dependent upon the substrate concentration  $[S]$

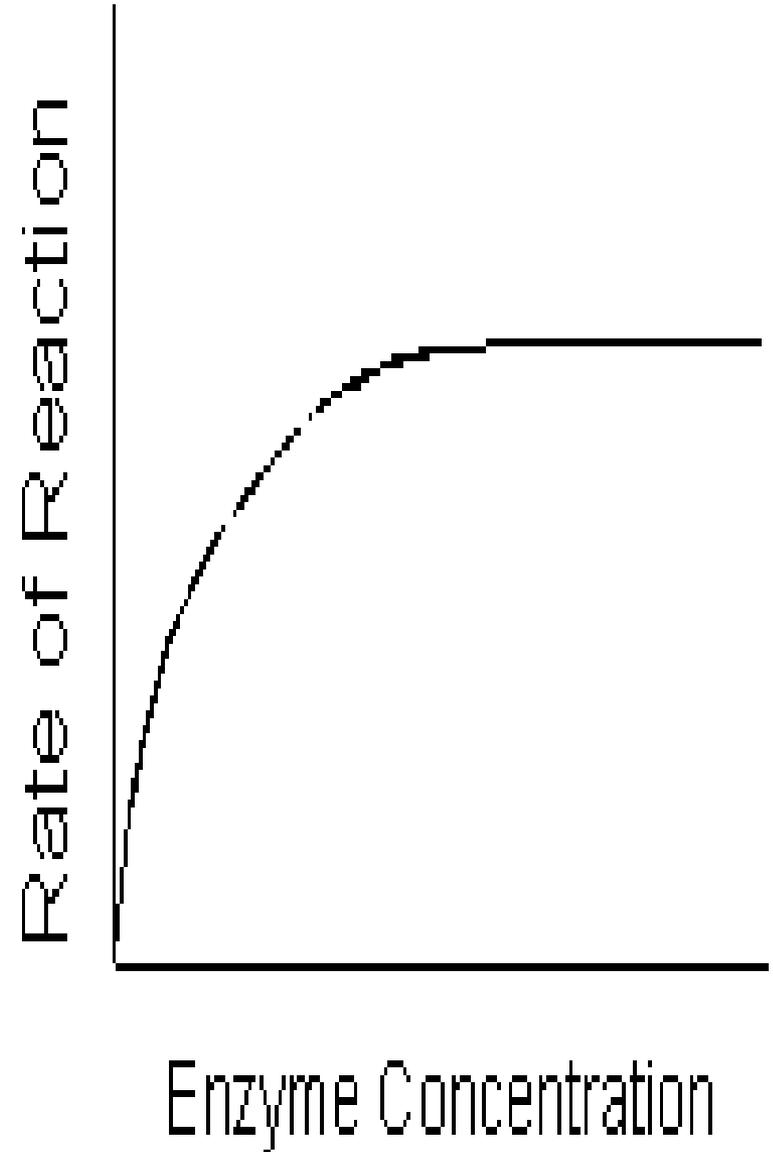


**FIGURE 6.3**

- A plot of  $V$  vs  $[S]$  is often **hyperbolic** (**Michaelis-Menten plot**)

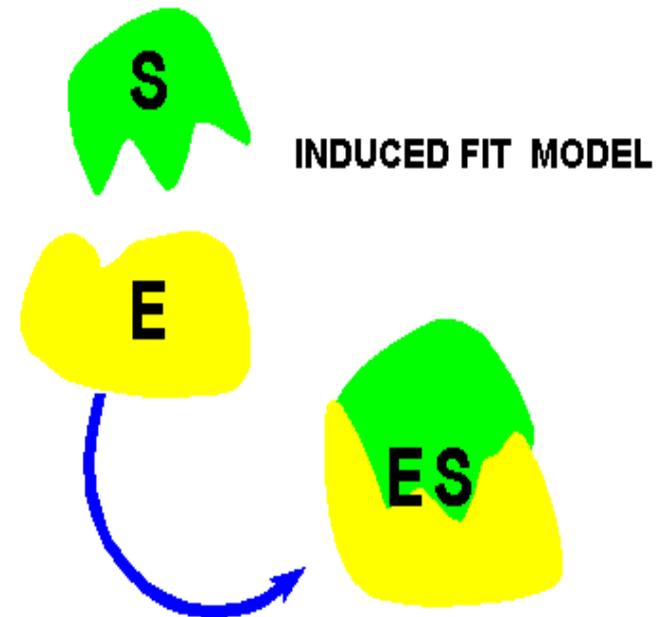
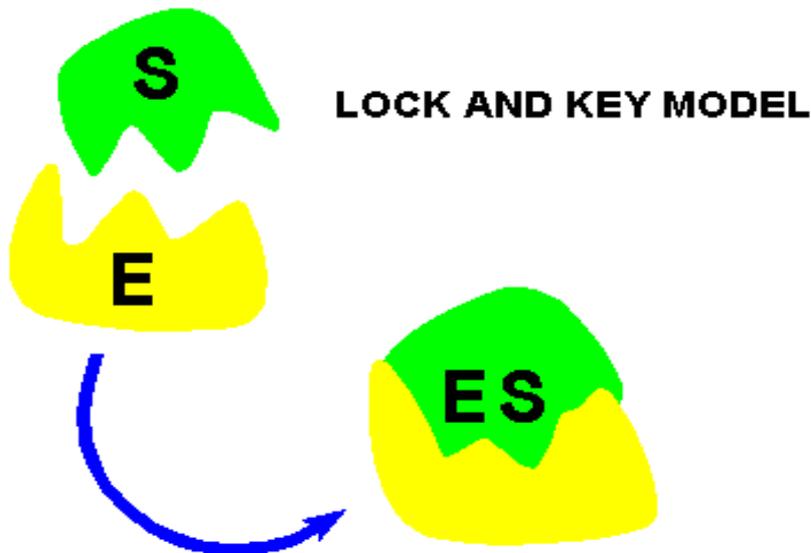
## [E]

- ..An increase in enzyme concentration*
- increases the rate of reaction (at constant substrate concentration)*
- binds more substrate with enzyme*



# Enzyme Properties

- Enzymes are highly specific in their catalysis
  - they must bind (form a complex) with substrate into a region of the enzyme known as the “active site”
- How?



- ***Substrates*** bind to the enzyme's **active site**
  - pocket in the enzyme
  
- ***Substrates bind in active site by***
  - ***hydrogen bonding***
  - ***hydrophobic interactions***
  - ***ionic interactions***

# Enzyme/Substrate Interactions

- **Lock and key model**
- substrate (key) fits into a perfectly shaped space in the enzyme (lock)
- **Induced fit model**
- substrate fits into a space in the enzyme, causing the enzyme to change conformation
- change in protein conformation leads to an exact fit of substrate with enzyme

FIGURE 6.10

The lock and key model to describe the formation of an ES complex. The substrate has a shape that is complementary or fits into a preformed site on the enzyme. Note that *a*, *b*, and *c* refer to specific types of interactions that form between substrate and enzyme.

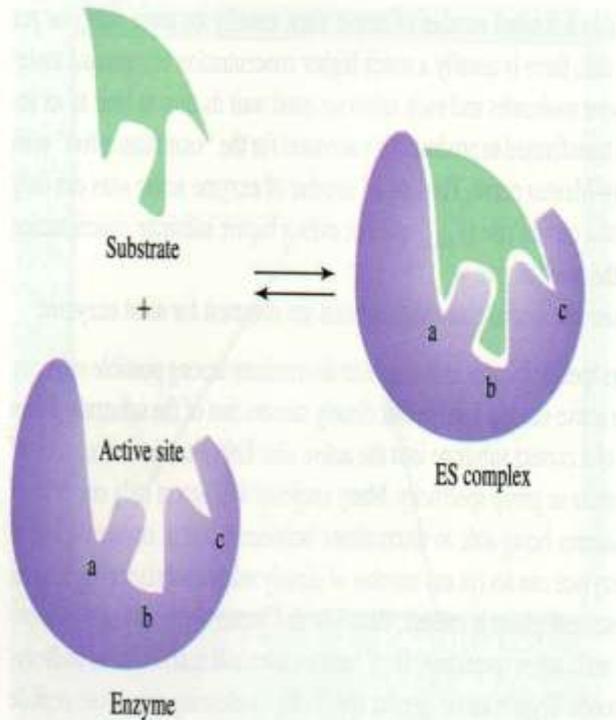
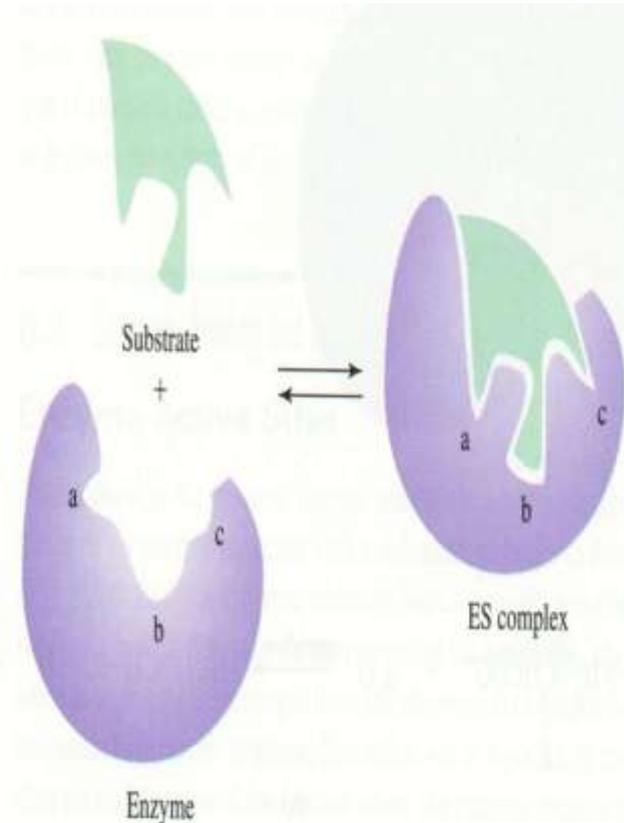


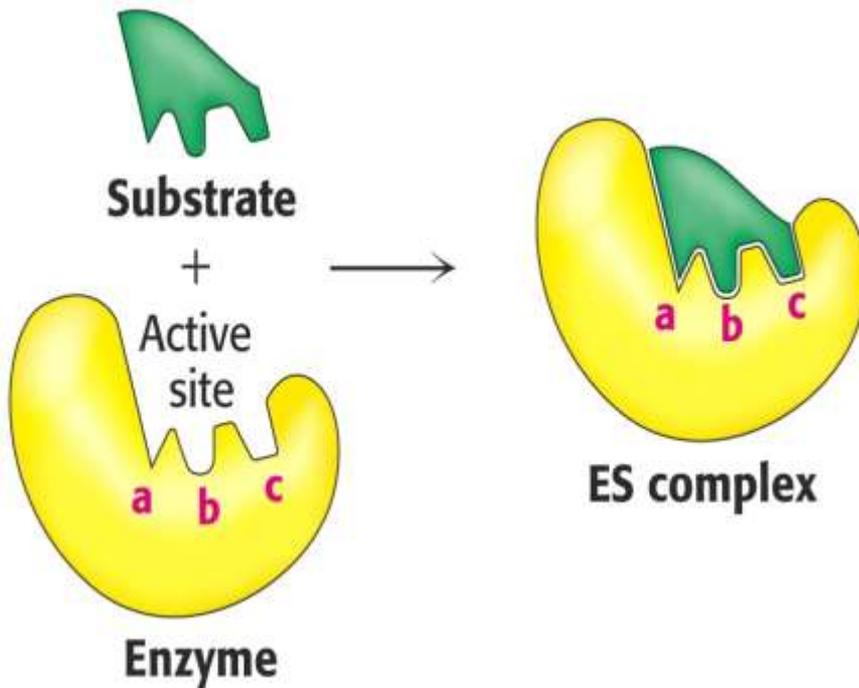
FIGURE 6.11

The induced-fit model to explain binding of a substrate to an enzyme active site. Initially the enzyme does not have a preformed site for substrate binding. Initial binding of the substrate induces specific conformational changes in the enzyme structure to make it more compatible to the substrate's size, shape, and polarity.



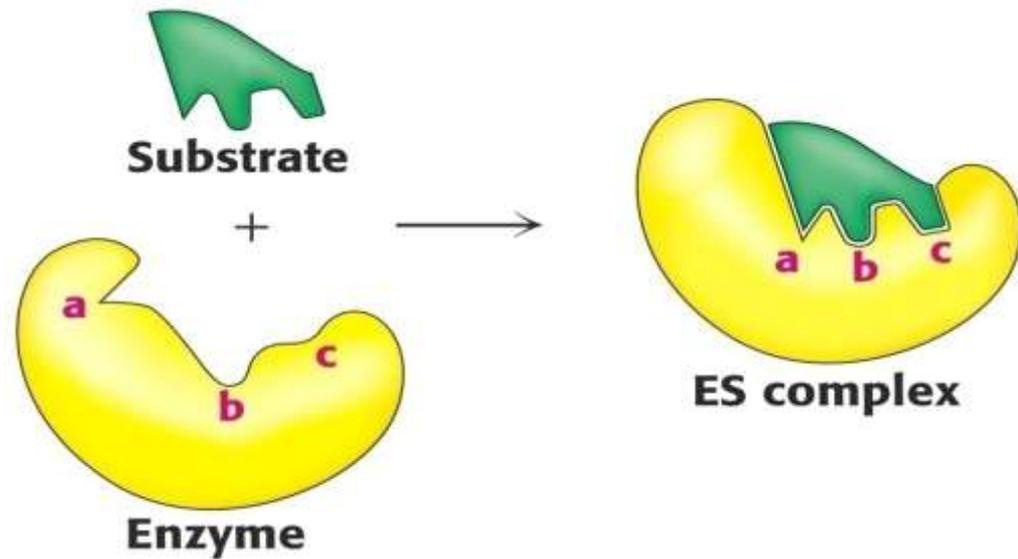
# Binding specificity governed by 3D arrangement of atoms

Lock and Key model  
(E. Fisher, 1890)



Active site complementary to shape of substrate

Induced-Fit model  
(D.E. Koshland, 1958)



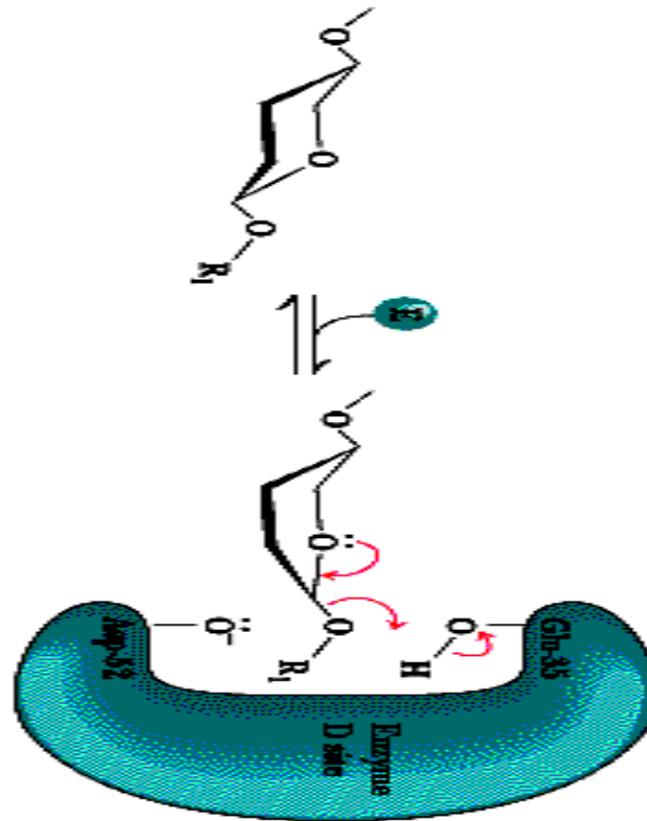
Active site forms a complementary shape of substrate after binding substrate

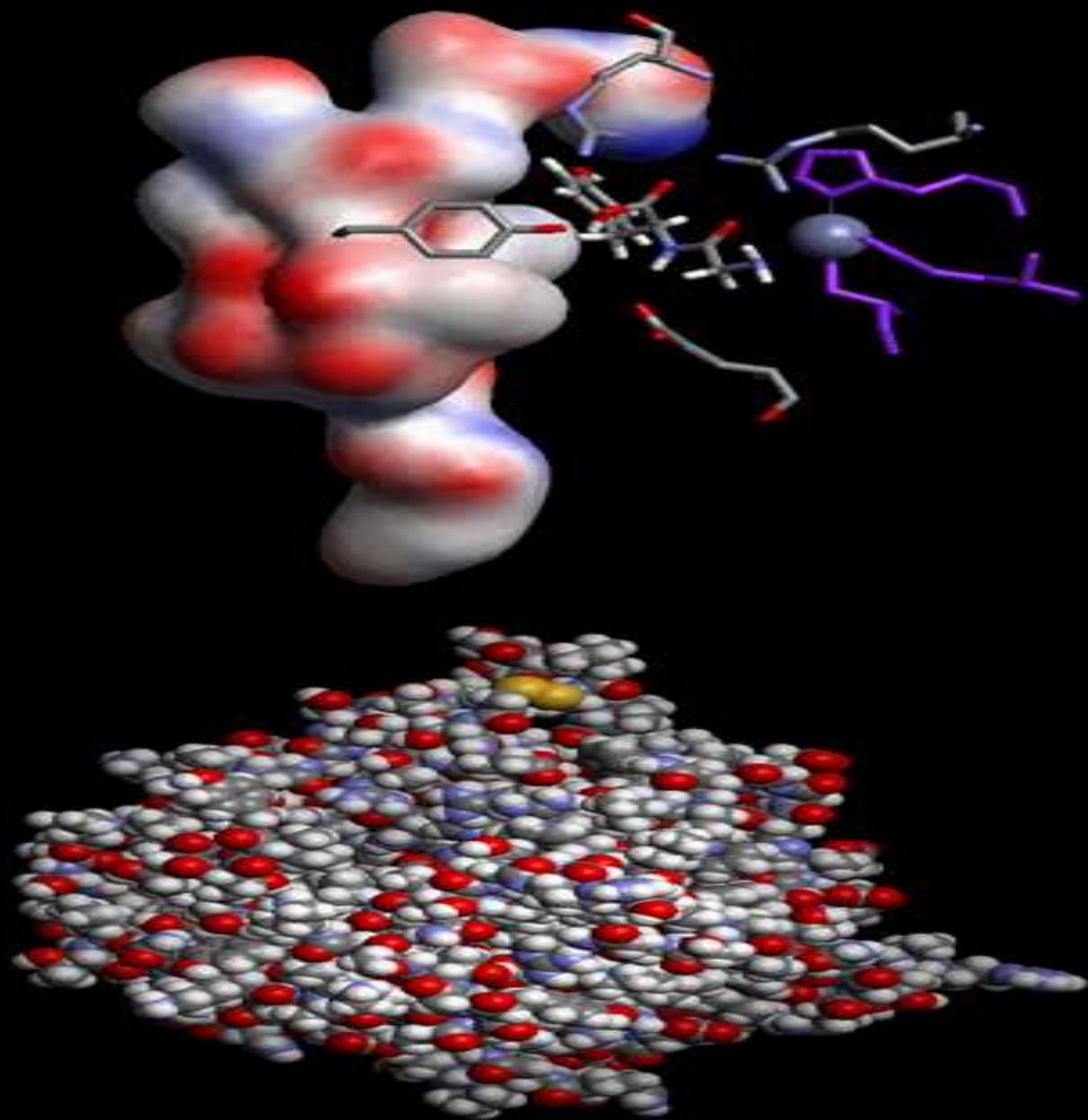
## Enzyme Properties

- *\*Enzymes also allow the regulation of reactions through activation or inhibition of the enzyme by effectors*
- \* All biological reactions are found to be enzyme catalyzed\*\**

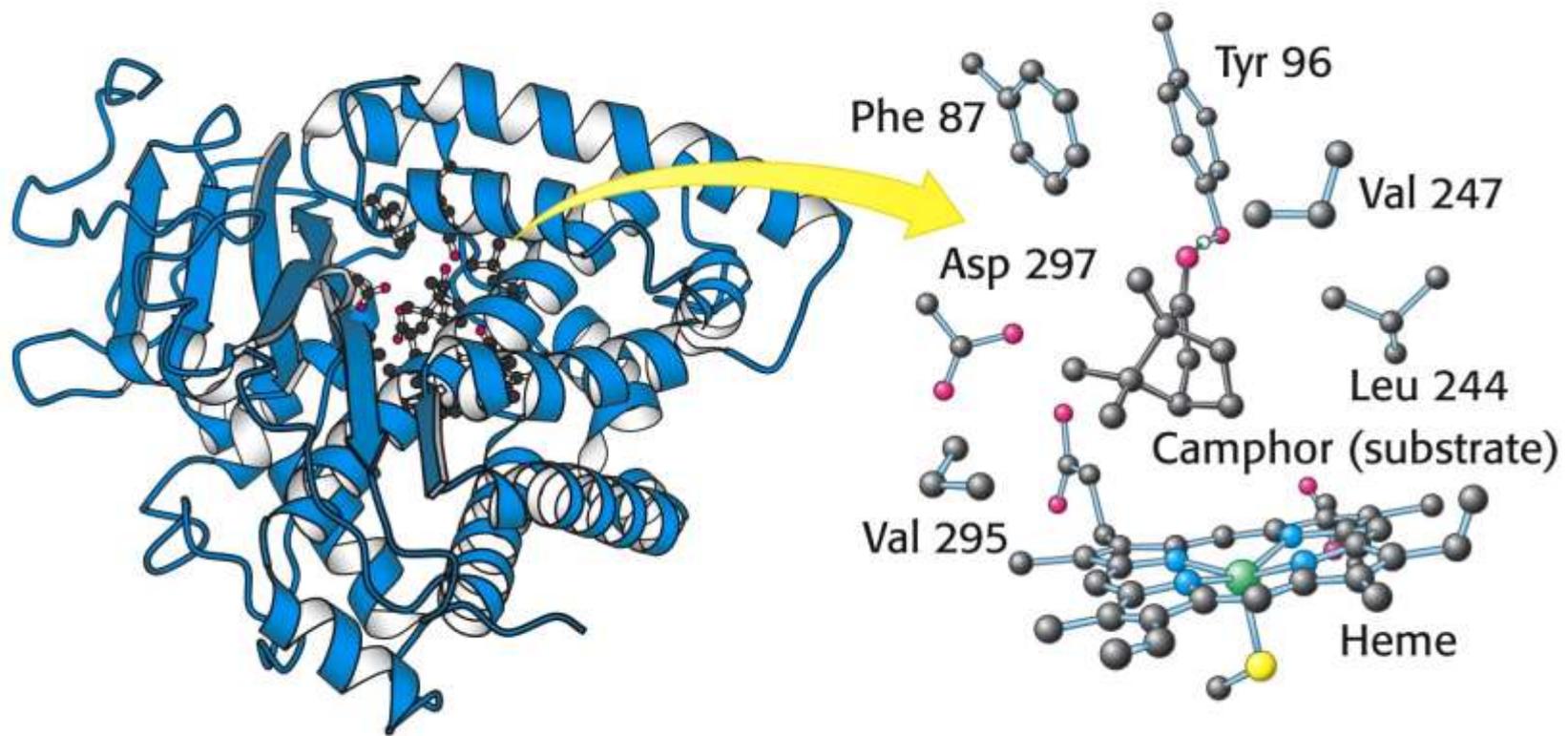
- How do enzymes catalyze biochemical reactions?
  - *involves basic principles of organic chemistry*
- What functional groups can be involved in catalysis?
- catalysis occurs when substrate is immobilized near these residues at the active site

- The binding of the substrate results in the distortion of the substrate in a way that makes the chemical reaction easier.





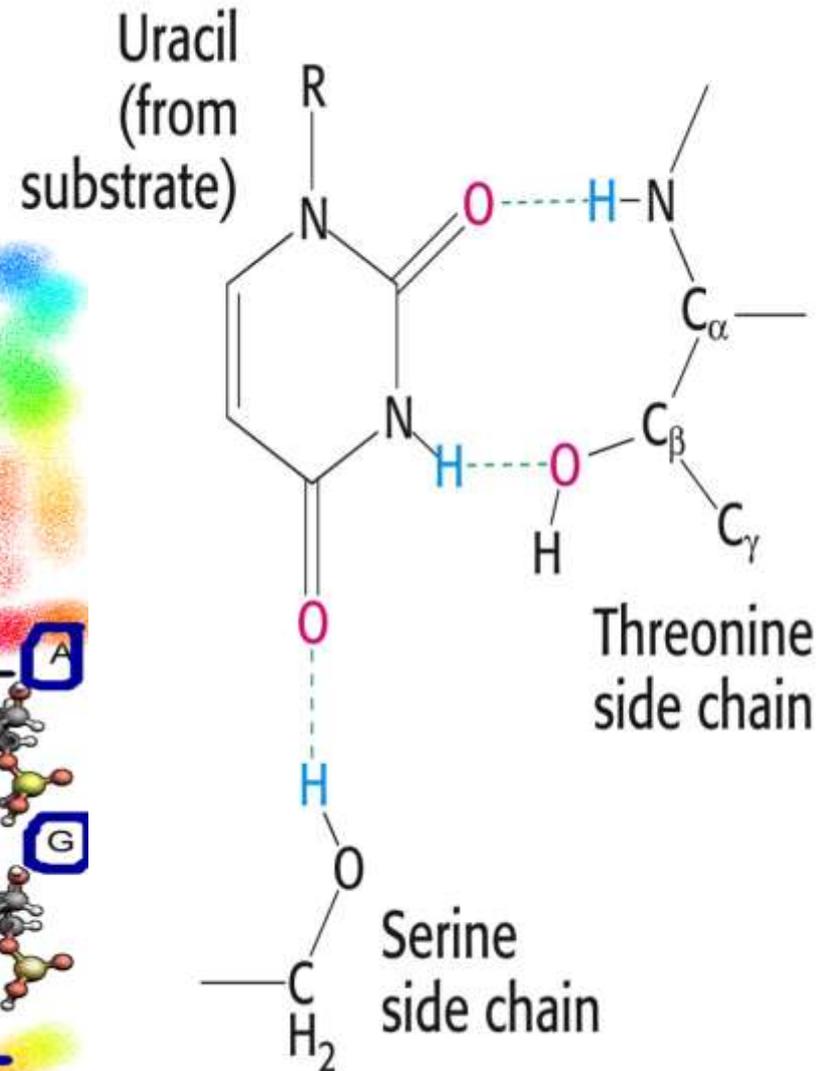
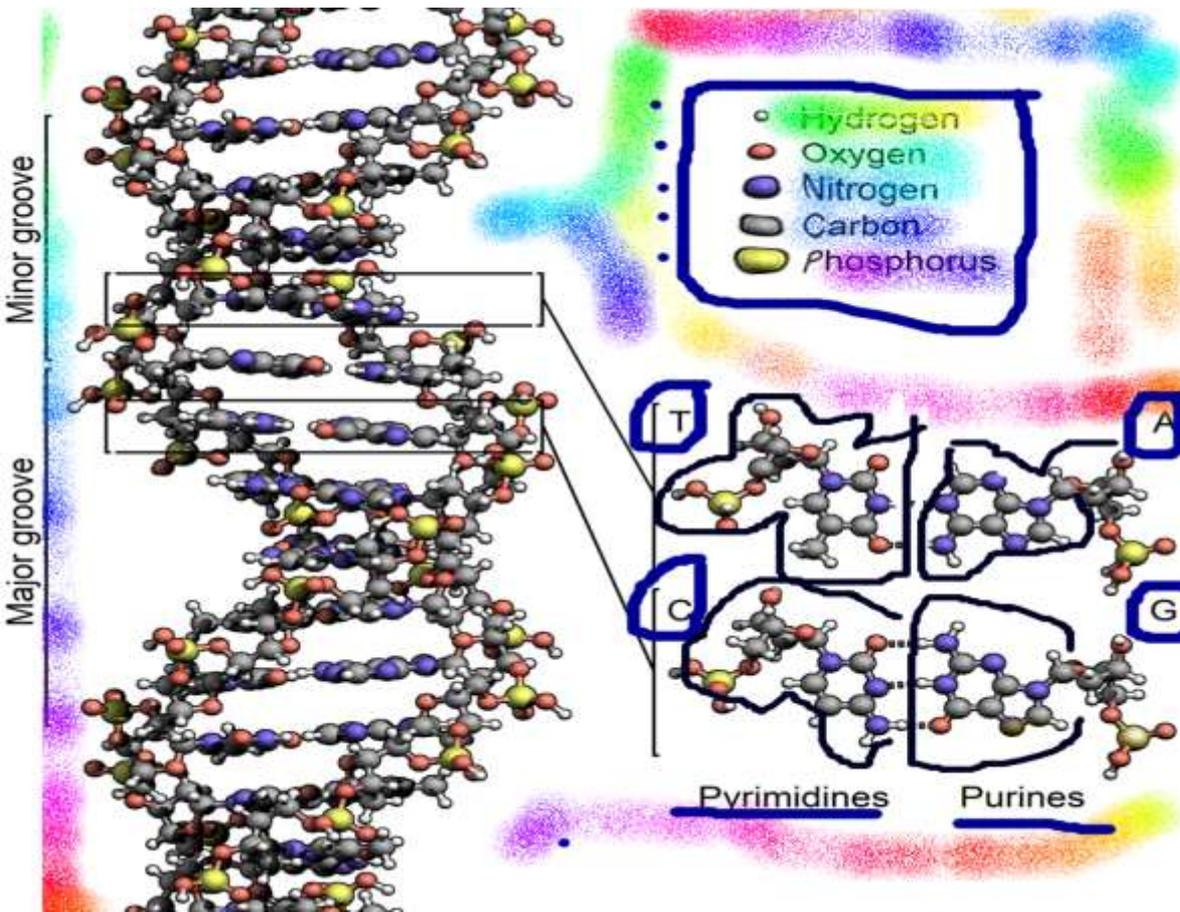
# X-ray crystallography to "see" ES complexes



**Cytochrome P450**

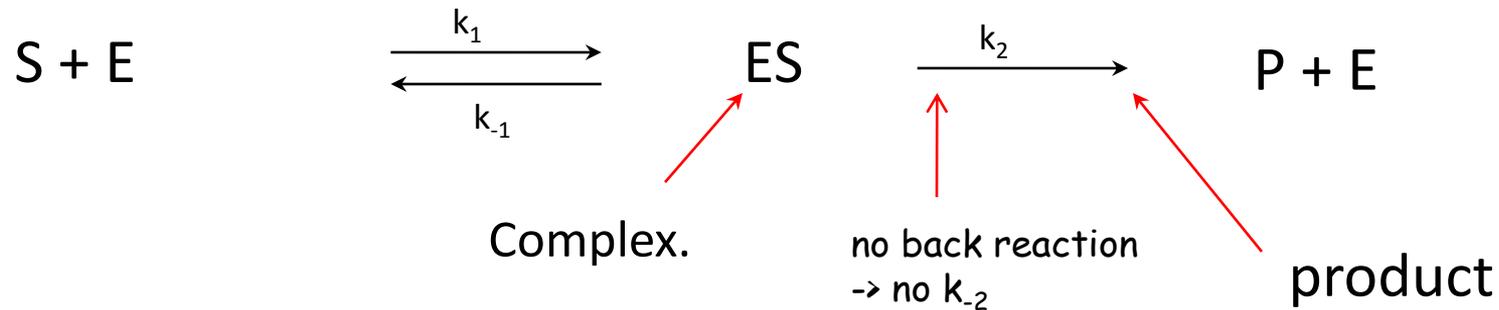
# Hydrogen bonding between substrate and active site

Ribonuclease enzyme :  
Forms H-bonds with uridine  
component of substrate



# Michaelis and Menten

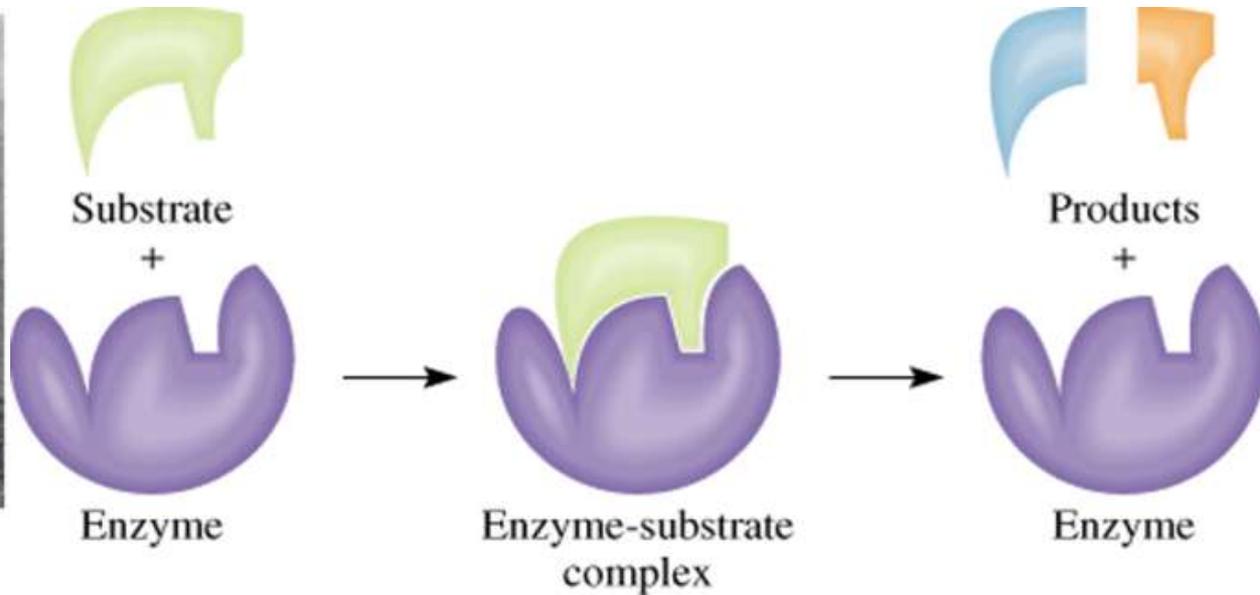
In 1913, Michaelis and Menten proposed the following mechanism for a saturating reaction rate



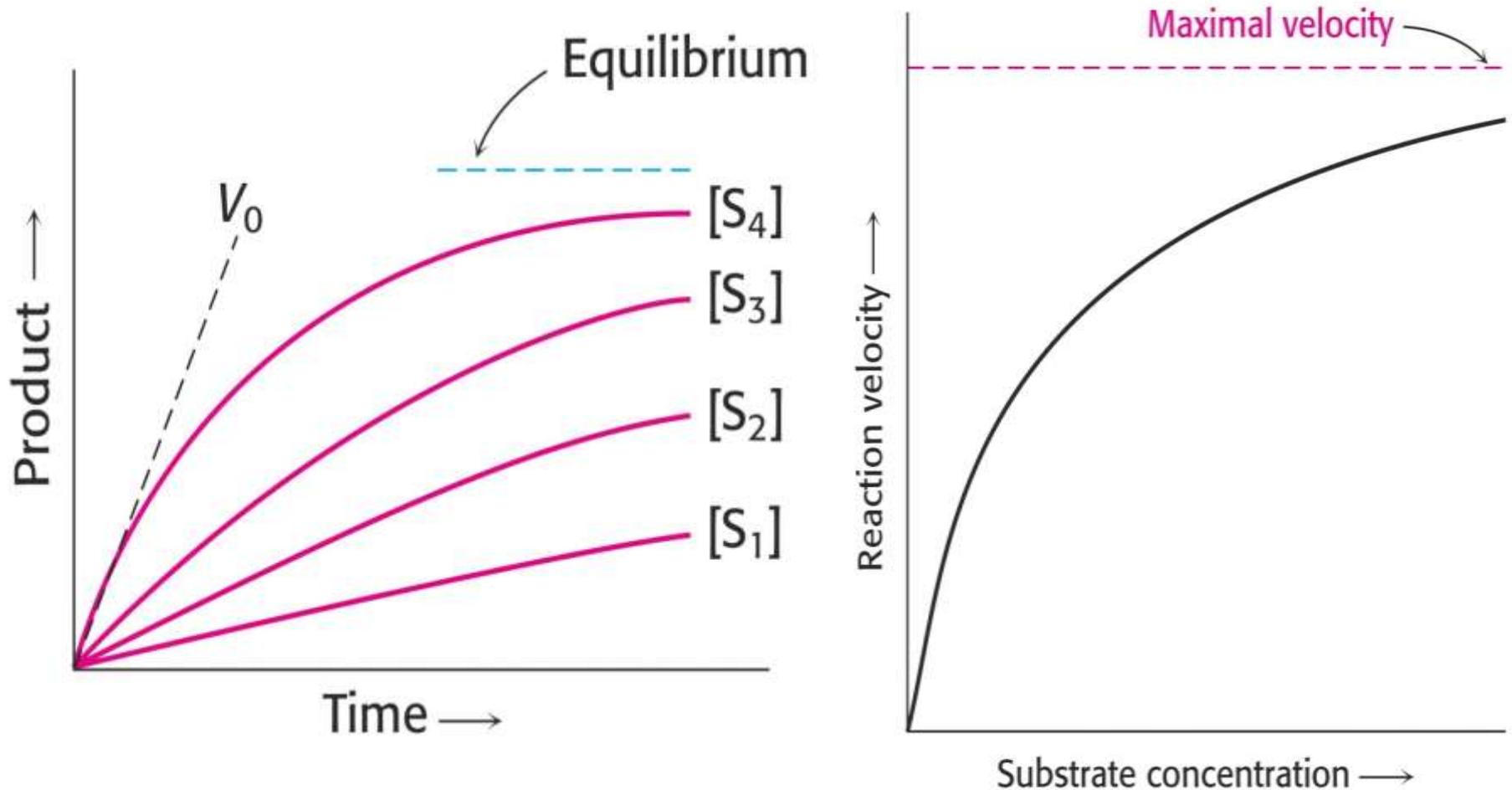
Leonor Michaelis  
1875-1949



Maud Menten  
1879-1960



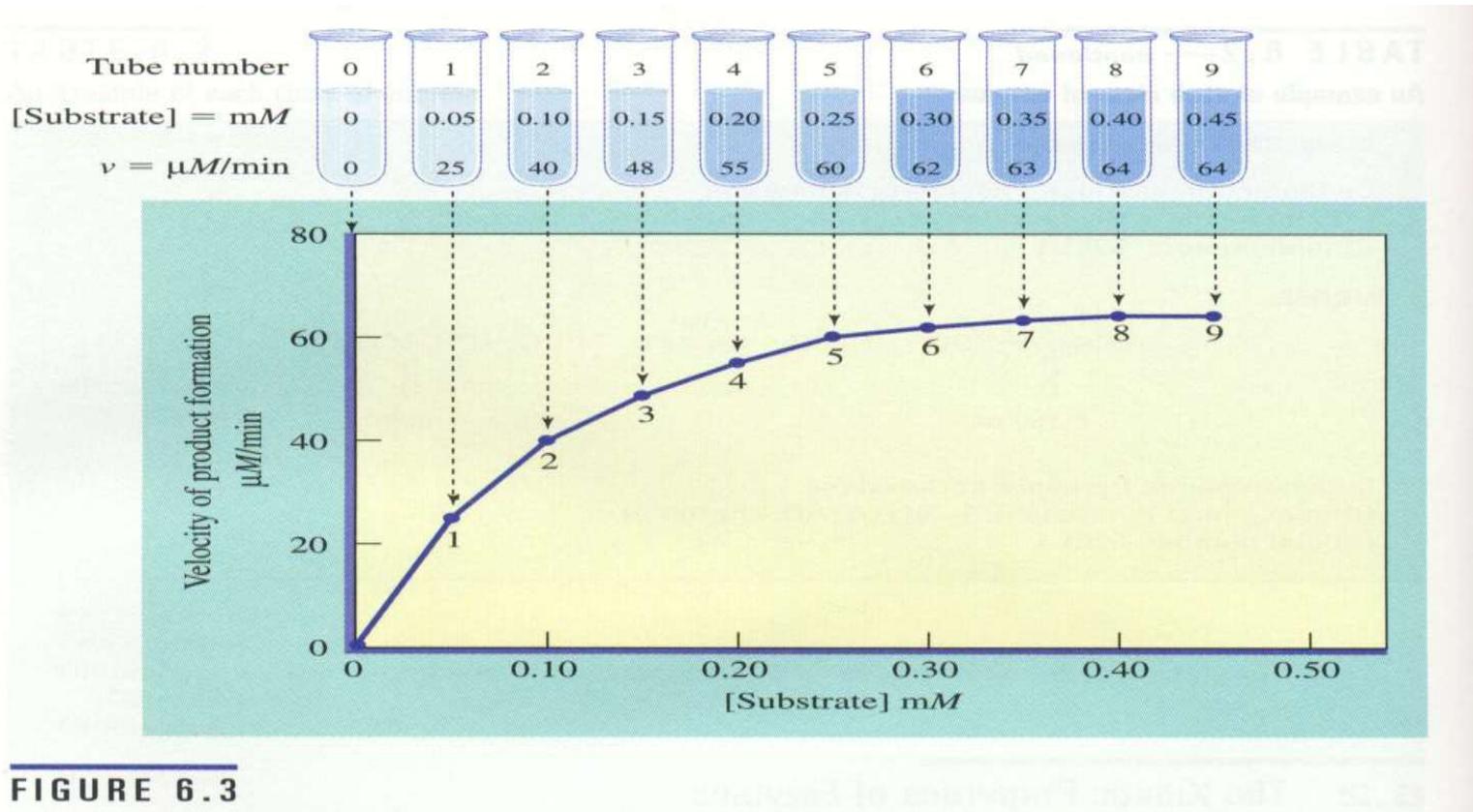
# Enzyme-catalyzed reaction progression curves



$V_0$  -> initial velocity -> product formed /sec at the beginning of the reaction ( $t=0$ )

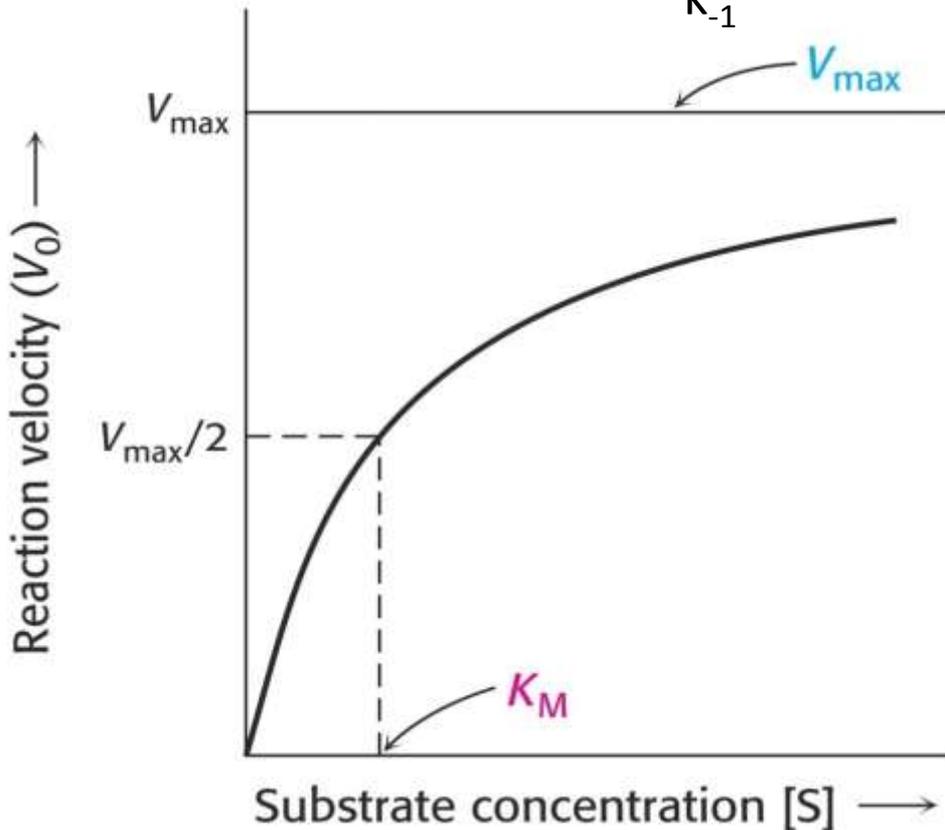
->  $V_0$  changes with  $[S]$  ->  $V_0$  rises when  $[S]$  rises -> until saturation (Max. Velocity)

- The **velocity** ( $V$ ) of an enzyme-catalyzed reaction is dependent upon the substrate concentration  $[S]$



- A plot of  $V$  vs  $[S]$  is often **hyperbolic** (Michaelis-Menten plot)

## Velocity vs Substrate Concentration: The Michaelis-Menten model



- $V_{max}$ : maximal velocity when all sites of E occupied
- 
- $K_m$ : Michaelis constant, when  $[S]$  gives  $V_{max}/2$

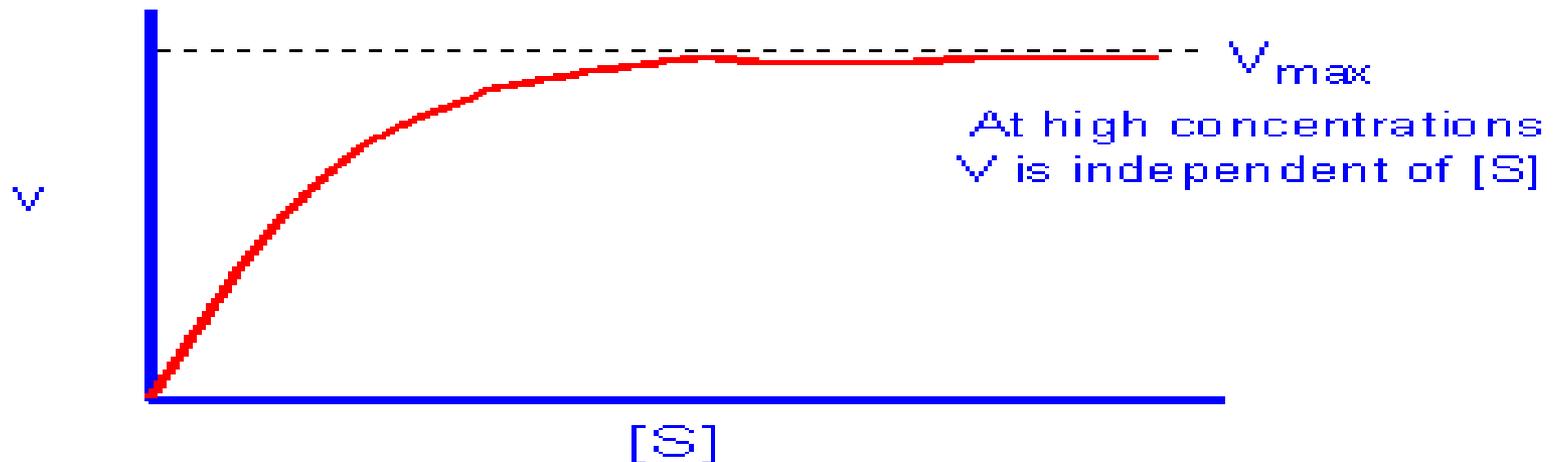
# Enzyme Kinetics

- In 1913, Lenor Michaelis and Maude Menten made the assumption that the reversible step in the mechanism does achieve equilibrium

## The Michaelis - Menten Model

### Experimental Observations

#### 1. Saturation



## Enzyme Kinetics

### Michealis-Menten equation

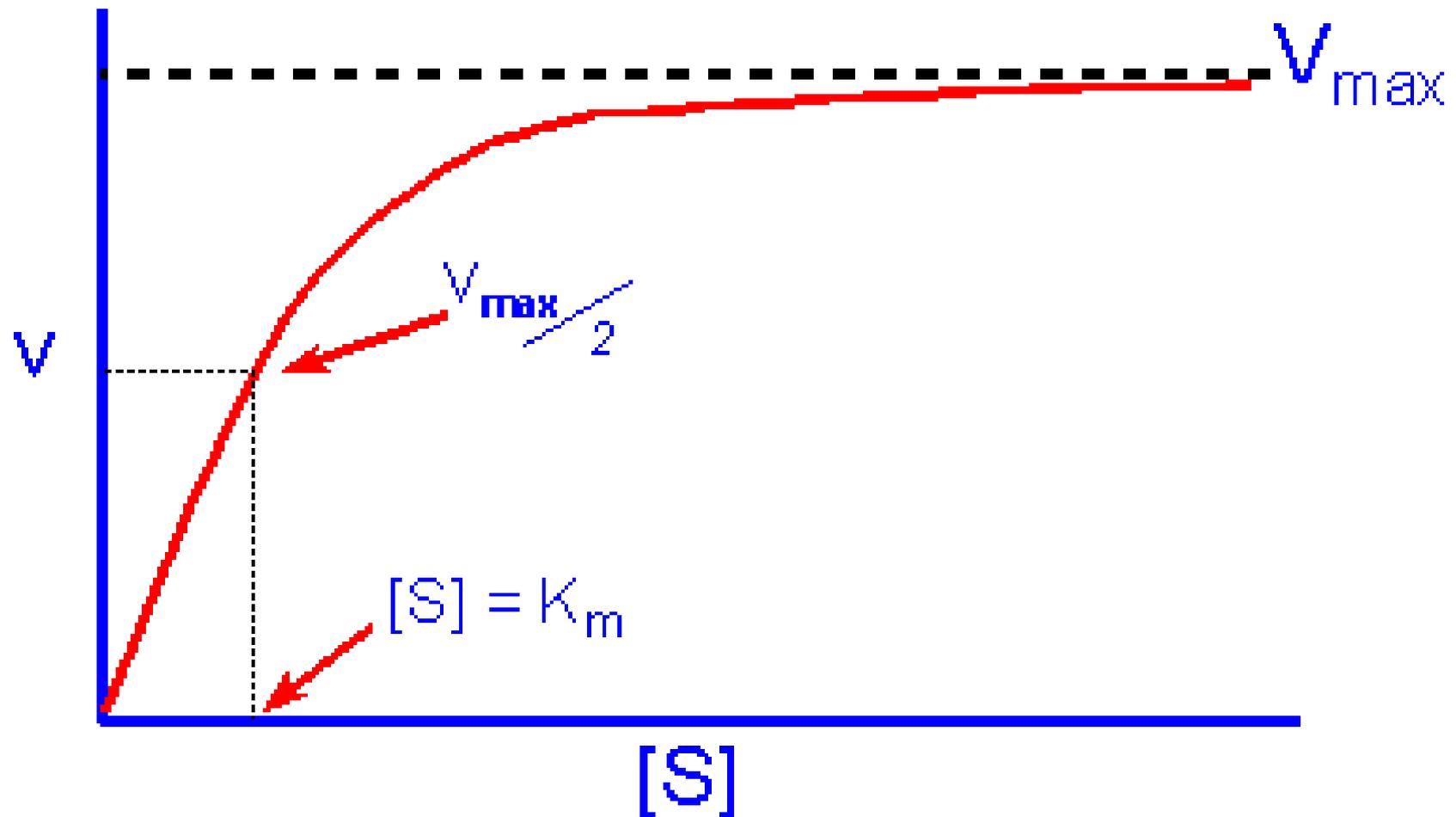
$$v_o = \frac{V_{max} [S]}{K_m + [S]}$$

$V_{max}$  = the rate of reaction in which all of the active sites of the enzyme are consumed by substrate

$K_m$  = a ratio of all rate constants involved.  $K_m$  also represents the substrate concentration at which the reaction rate is 1/2 of  $V_{max}$

$[S]$  = the concentration of substrate binding to enzyme

## Measurement of $K_m$ and $V_{max}$



*Extrapolation to  $V_{max}$  is quite difficult in such a plot and an alternative form of plot was sought which would be more useful*

$$V = \frac{V_{\max} [S]}{K_M + [S]}$$

- $V$  = is the reaction rate (velocity) at a substrate concentration  $[S]$
- $V_{\max}$  is the maximum rate that can be observed in the reaction
  - substrate is present in excess
  - enzyme can be saturated (**zero order reaction**)
- $K_M$  is the **Michaelis constant**
  - a constant that is related to the affinity of the enzyme for the substrate
  - units are in terms of concentration

$$K_M = \frac{k_{-1} + k_2}{k_1}$$

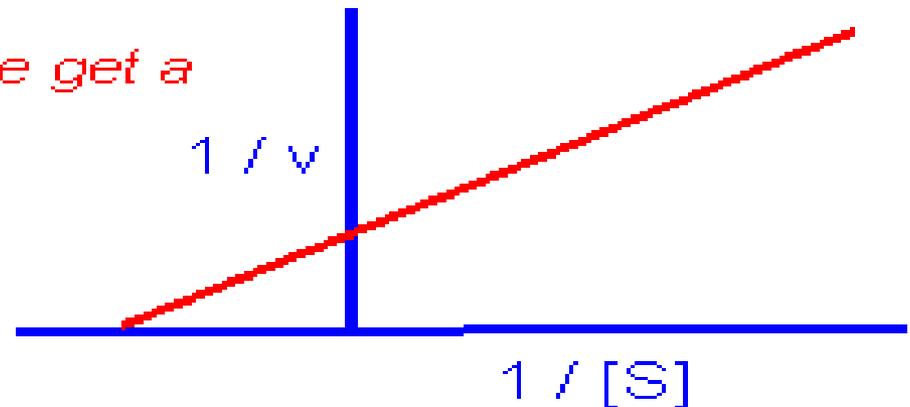
Begin with the Michaelis - Menten equation and take the reciprocal of both sides.

$$v = \frac{V_{\max} [S]}{K_m + [S]}$$

$$1/v = \frac{K_m}{V_{\max}} \times 1/[S] + 1/V_{\max}$$

This equation has the form of a linear or straight line:  $y = mx + b$

Thus if we plot  $1/v$  vs  $1/[S]$  we get a straight line plot according to Lineweaver and Burke.



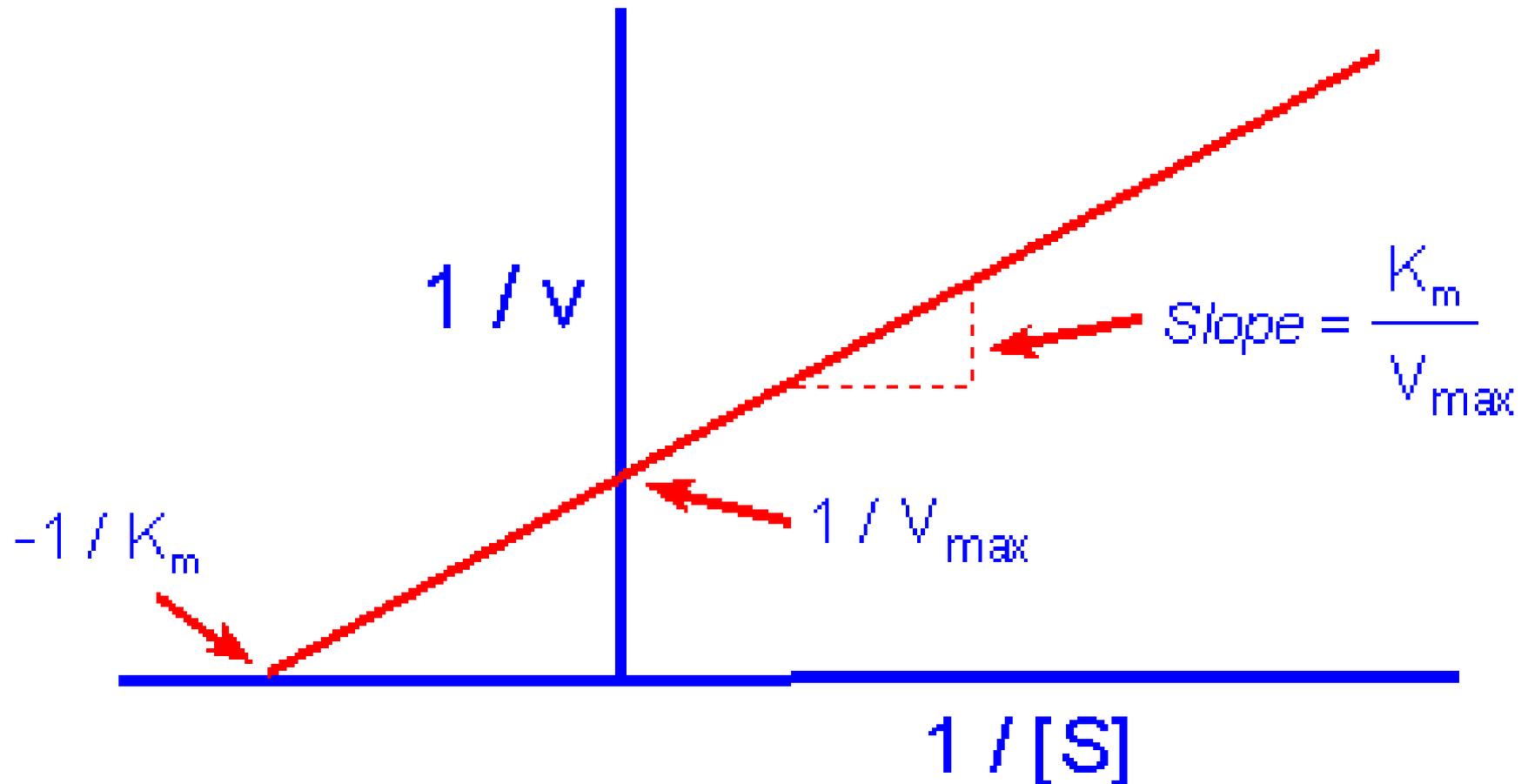
### Lineweaver and Burke plot

$$Y = mx + b$$

$$1/V = K_m/V_{\max} * 1/[S] + 1/V_{\max}$$

$$\text{Slope} = m$$

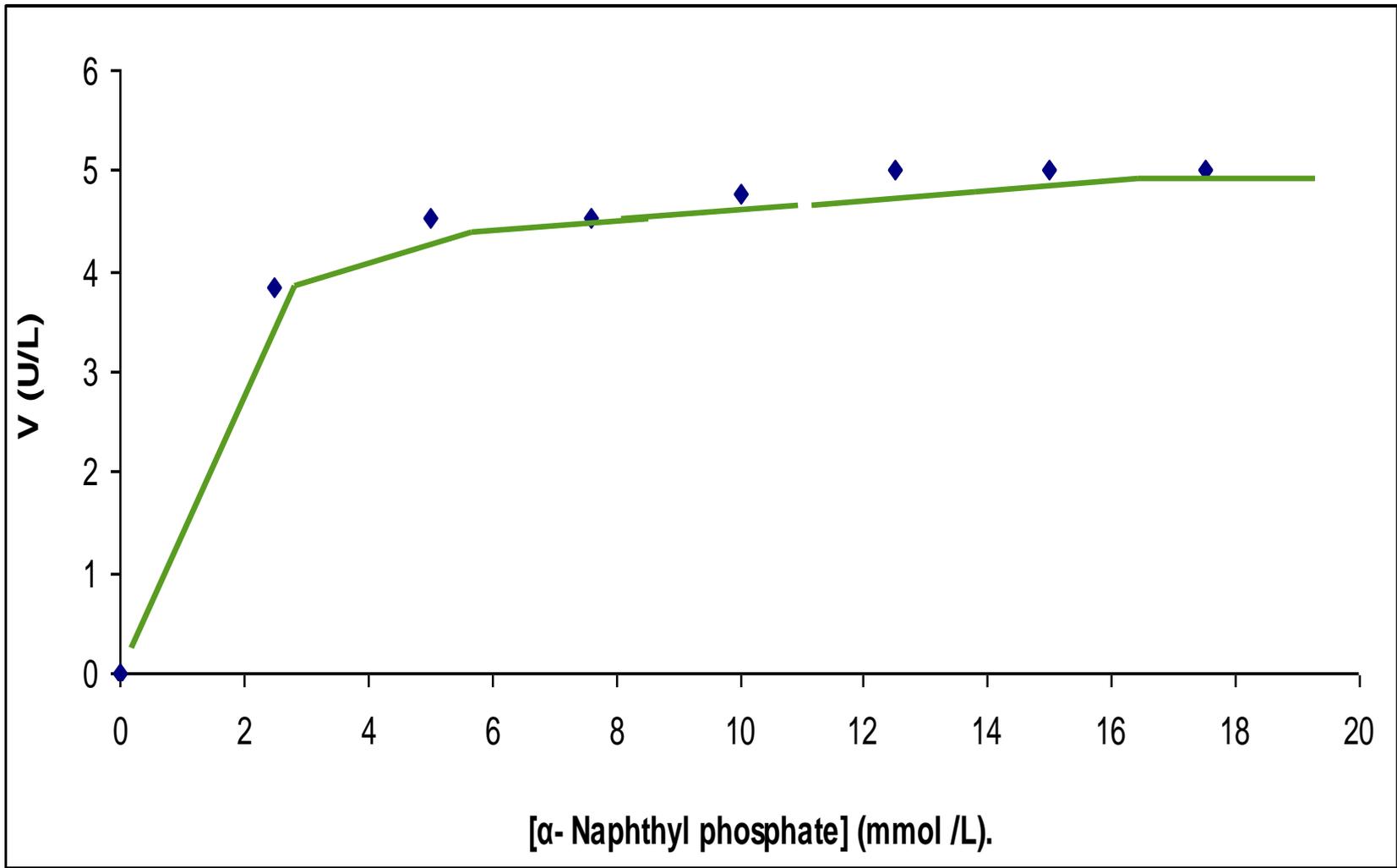
## A Double Reciprocal or Lineweaver-Burke Plot



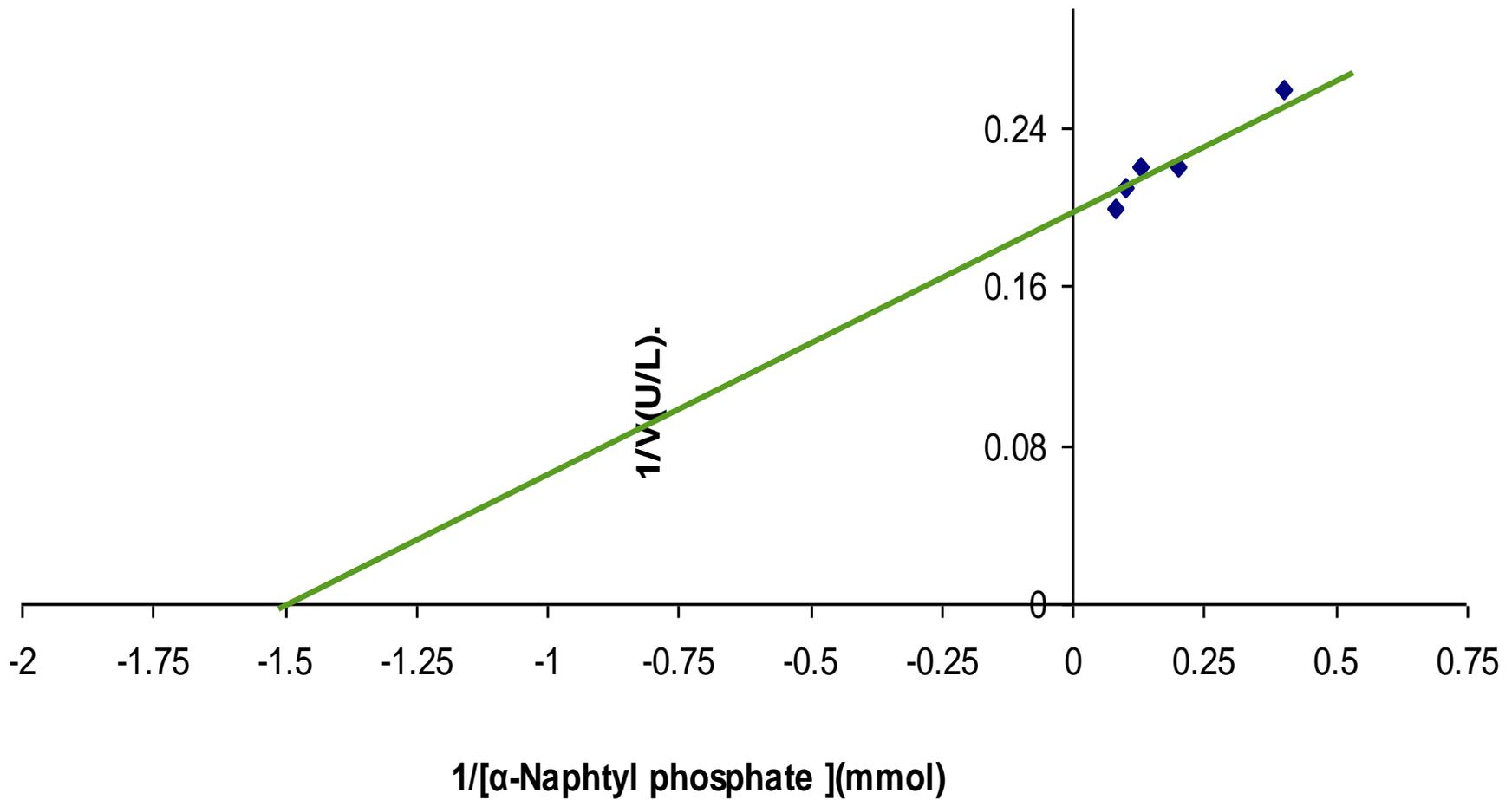
*Remember that because this is a reciprocal plot that the origin represents infinite substrate concentration and therefore the maximum velocity.*

## **Example\_\_Effect of Selective Inhibitors on Activity of Prostatic Acid Phosphatase [PAP] in Sera of Patients**

The purpose of this study is to determine PAP in patients with BPH activity ,and study the inhibitory effect of several compounds [ Molybdate sodium, L-tartrate ,and Cupper sulfate]on the activity of enzyme .



**Kinetic properties of ( α-naphthyl phosphste) acid phosphatase in serum: *Michaelis –Menten plots* .**



**Kinetic properties of(  $\alpha$ -naphtyl phosphste) acid phosphatase in serum (Line weaver Burk).**

# Michaelis-Menten Kinetics

When the enzyme is saturated with substrate, the reaction is progressing at its maximal velocity,  $V_{\max}$ .

At saturation  $[E]_{\text{T}} = [ES]$ , and the equation for reaction velocity simplifies to  $V_{\max} = k_2 [E]_{\text{T}}$

the Michaelis-Menten Equation of enzyme kinetics:

$$v = \frac{V_{\max} [S]}{K_M + [S]}$$

# Michaelis-Menten Kinetics

## What is $K_M$ ?

- The concentration of substrate which gives  $\frac{1}{2}$  of  $V_{max}$ .
- This means that low values of  $K_M$  imply the enzyme achieves maximal catalytic efficiency at low  $[S]$ .

**\*\***  $K_M$  gives an idea of the range of  $[S]$  at which a reaction will occur.

-> indicates binding strength (substrate affinity)

The larger the  $K_M$ , the WEAKER the binding affinity of enzyme for substrate.

## Michaelis-Menten Kinetics

**TABLE 8.4**  $K_M$  values of some enzymes

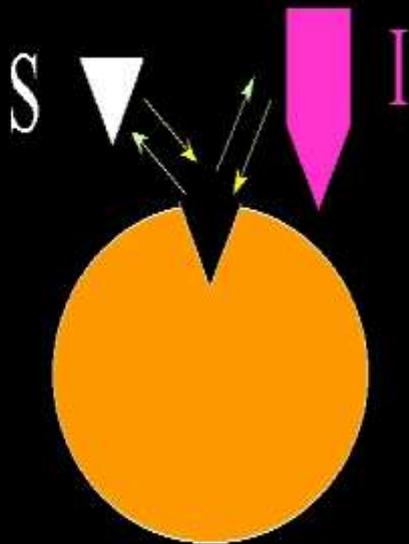
<b>Enzyme</b>	<b>Substrate</b>	<b><math>K_M</math> (<math>\mu\text{M}</math>)</b>
<b>Chymotrypsin</b>	<b>Acetyl-L-tryptophanamide</b>	<b>5000</b>
<b>Lysozyme</b>	<b>Hexa-N-acetylglucosamine</b>	<b>6</b>
<b><math>\beta</math>-Galactosidase</b>	<b>Lactose</b>	<b>4000</b>
<b>Threonine deaminase</b>	<b>Threonine</b>	<b>5000</b>
<b>Carbonic anhydrase</b>	<b><math>\text{CO}_2</math></b>	<b>8000</b>
<b>Penicillinase</b>	<b>Benzylpenicillin</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Pyruvate carboxylase</b>	<b>Pyruvate</b>	<b>400</b>
	<b><math>\text{HCO}_3^-</math></b>	<b>1000</b>
	<b>ATP</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Arginine-tRNA synthetase</b>	<b>Arginine</b>	<b>3</b>
	<b>tRNA</b>	<b>0.4</b>
	<b>ATP</b>	<b>300</b>

# *Enzyme Inhibition*

- Inhibitors can halt the activity of an enzyme
  - *results in a decreasing concentration of product formation*
  - **Drug therapy is based on the inhibition of specific enzymes**
- *There are three major classes of inhibitors*
  - *Competitive*
  - **Noncompetitive**
  - **Uncompetitive**

# Competitive Inhibition

## 1. COMPETITIVE

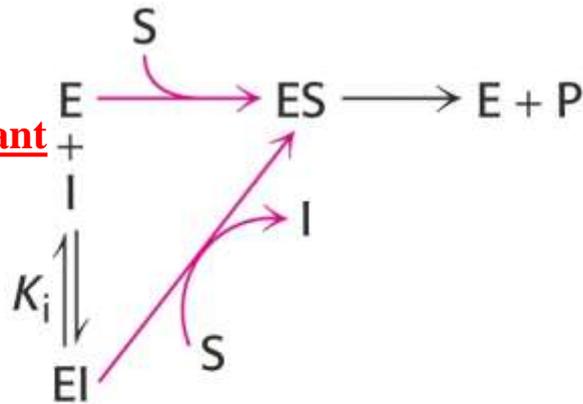


- ***A molecule that fits into the enzyme's active site but does not react with it***

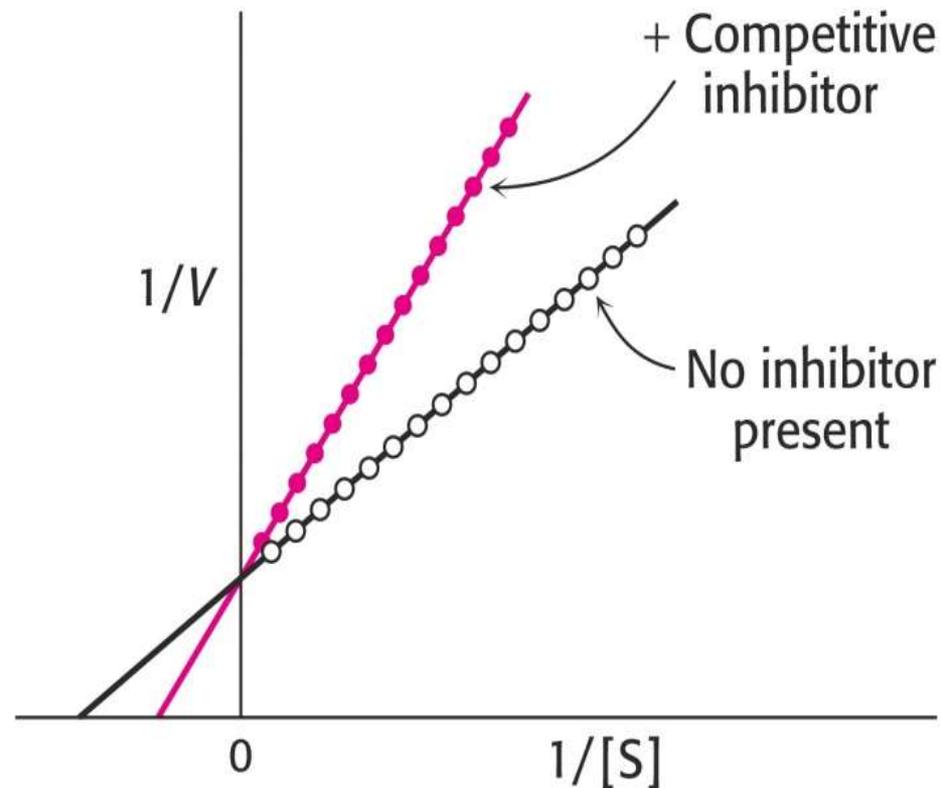
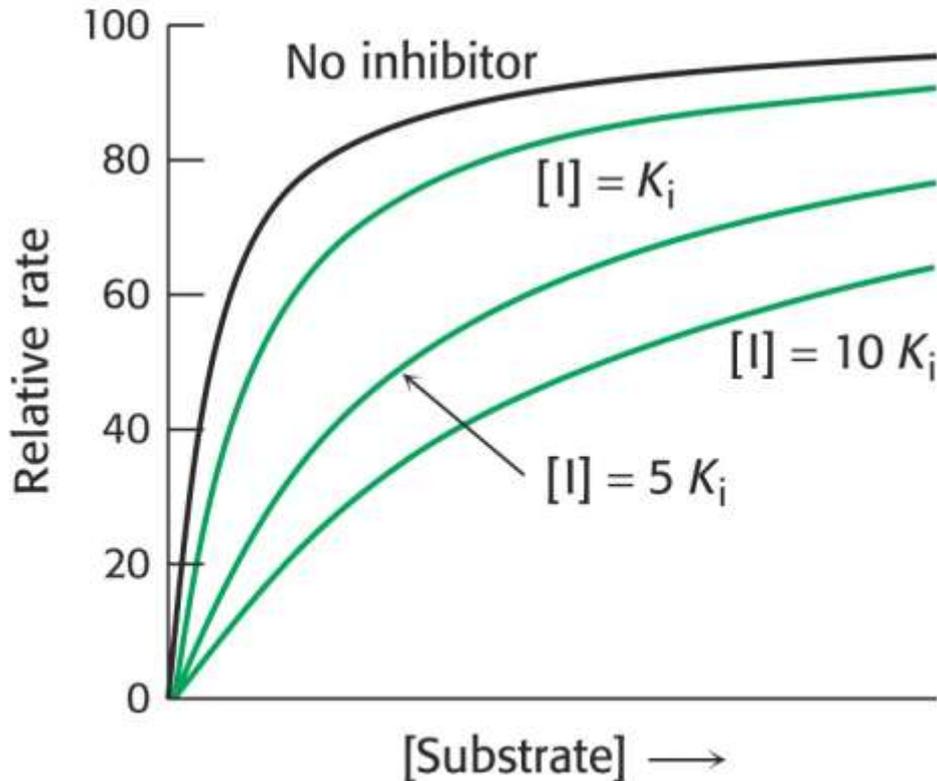
***Enzyme will remain inactive until the inhibitor falls off***

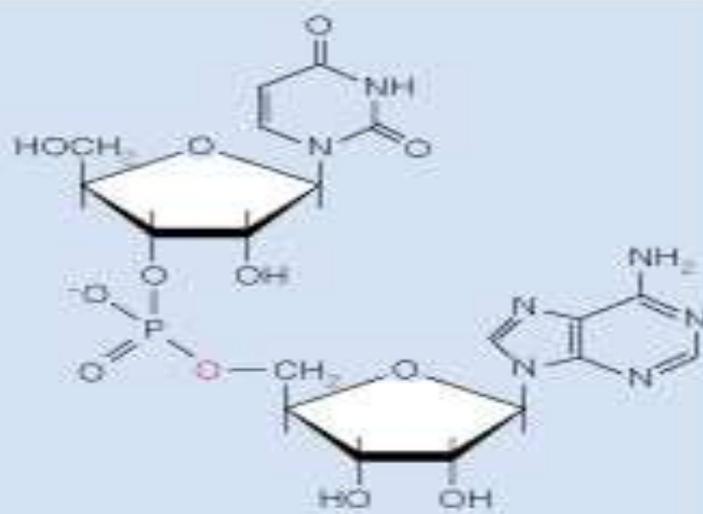
- ***More substrate is needed to get to the maximum rate, since substrate "competes" with inhibitor***

# Competitive inhibition affects $K_m$

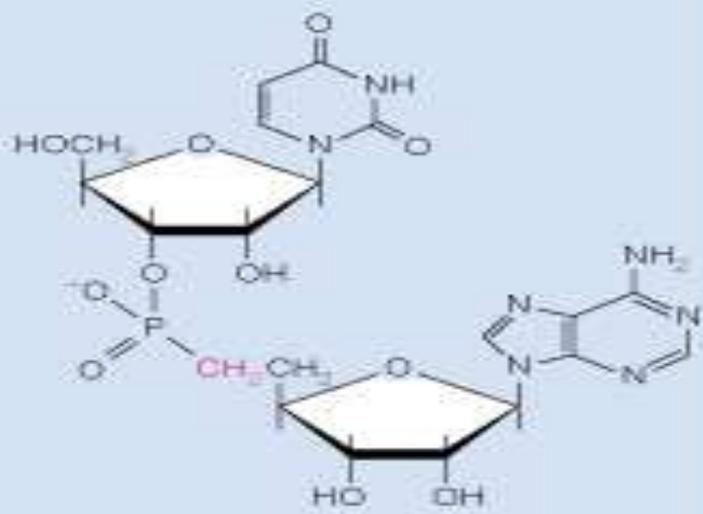


- Inhibition overcome by increase in substrate concentration
- $K_m$  altered: apparent  $K_m$  value increased  $V_{max}$  Constant





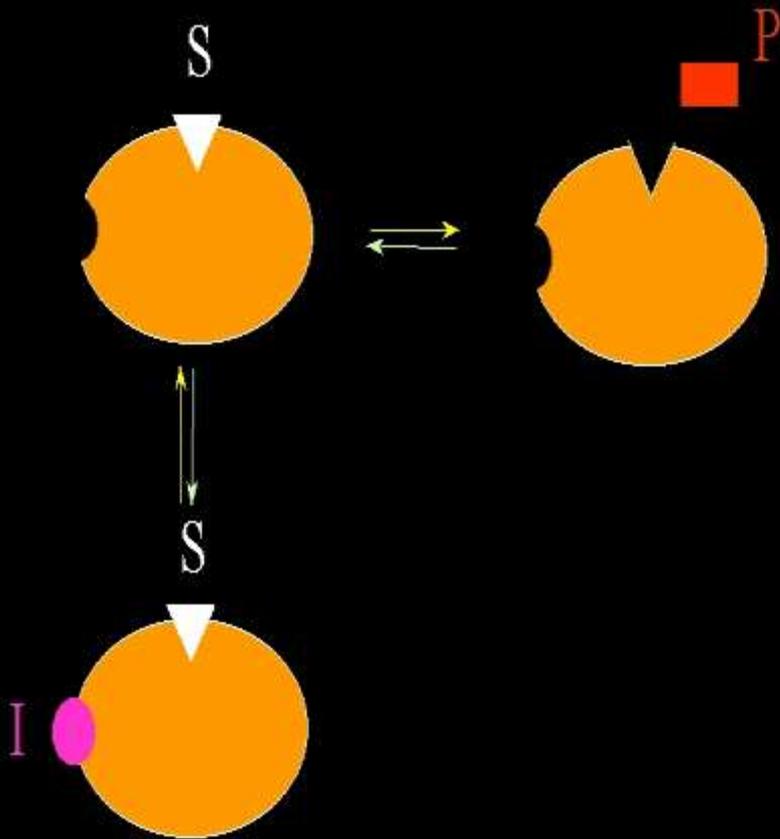
UpA: ribonuclease substrate



UpcA: competitive inhibitor of ribonuclease

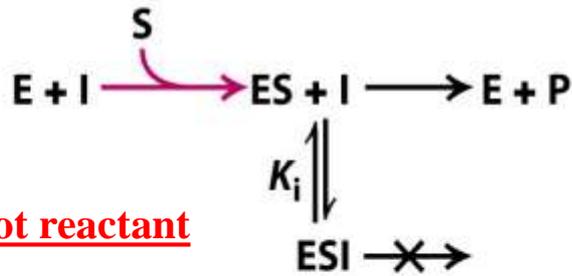
# Uncompetitive Inhibition

## 4. UNCOMPETITIVE



- *Inhibitor binds to the enzyme only after enzyme-substrate complex forms*
- *As a result, catalytic activity is blocked*

# Un-Competitive inhibition affects $V_{max}$ and $K_m$

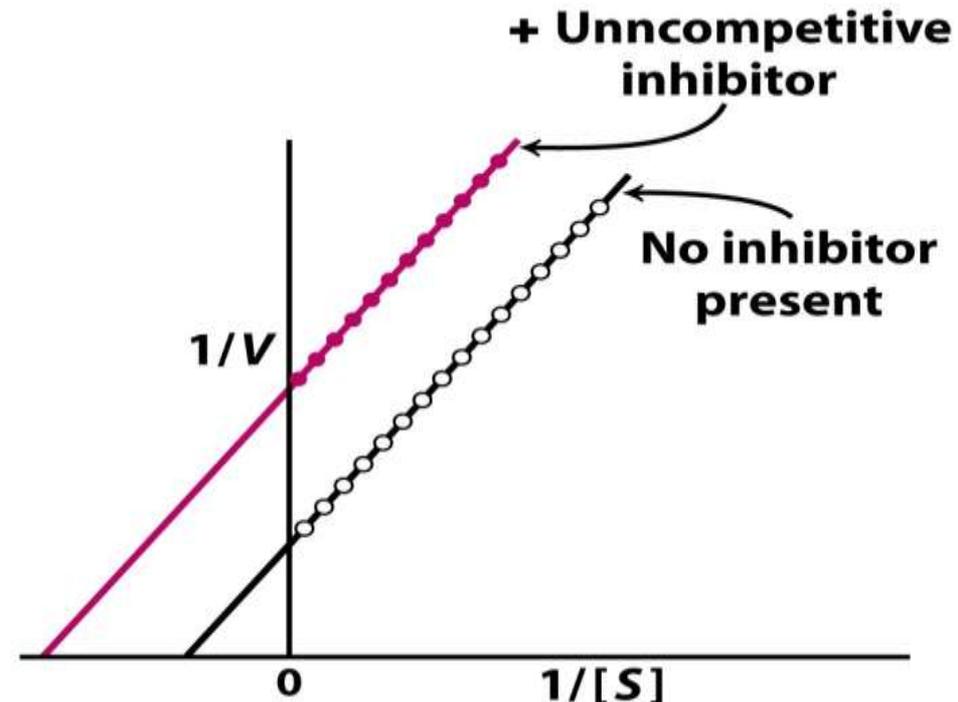
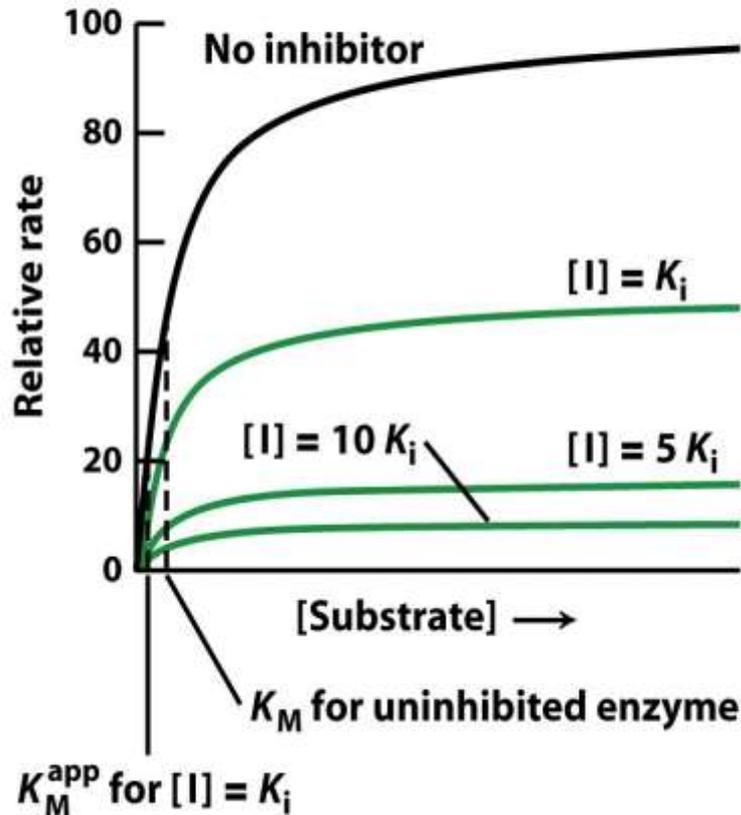


› Inhibition cannot be overcome by increase in substrate concentration

->  $V_{max}$  altered: apparent  $V_{max}$  value decreased

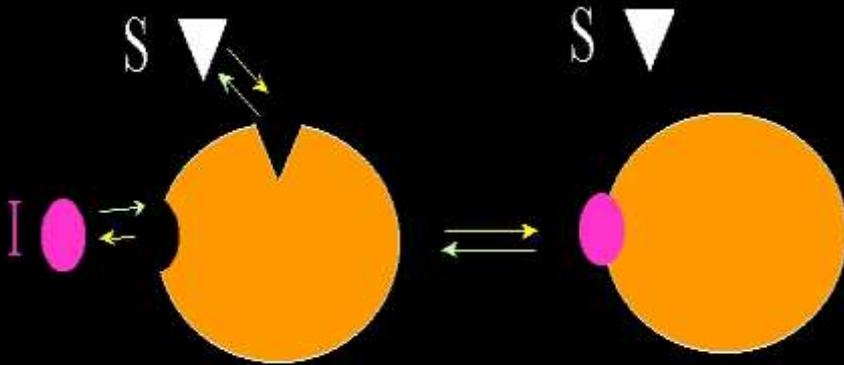
->  $K_m$  altered: apparent  $K_m$  value decreased

Cannot reactant



## *Noncompetitive Inhibition \* MIXED*

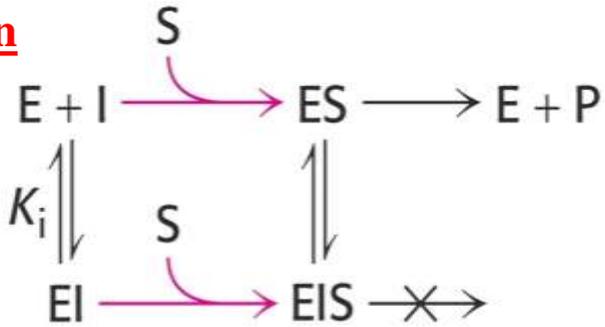
### 2. NONCOMPETITIVE



- Inhibitor fits into a site on the enzyme different from the active site
- *As a result, the folding of the enzyme changes a bit, distorting the active site in a way that makes it less effective as a catalyst*
- A decrease in the maximum rate would be observed since each catalyst has become less efficient

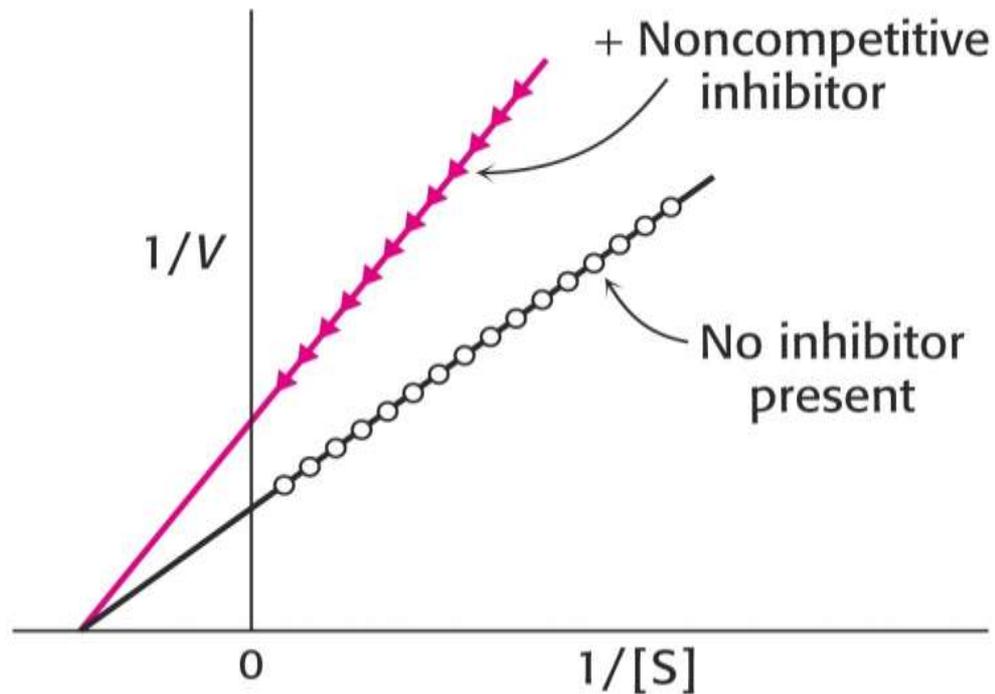
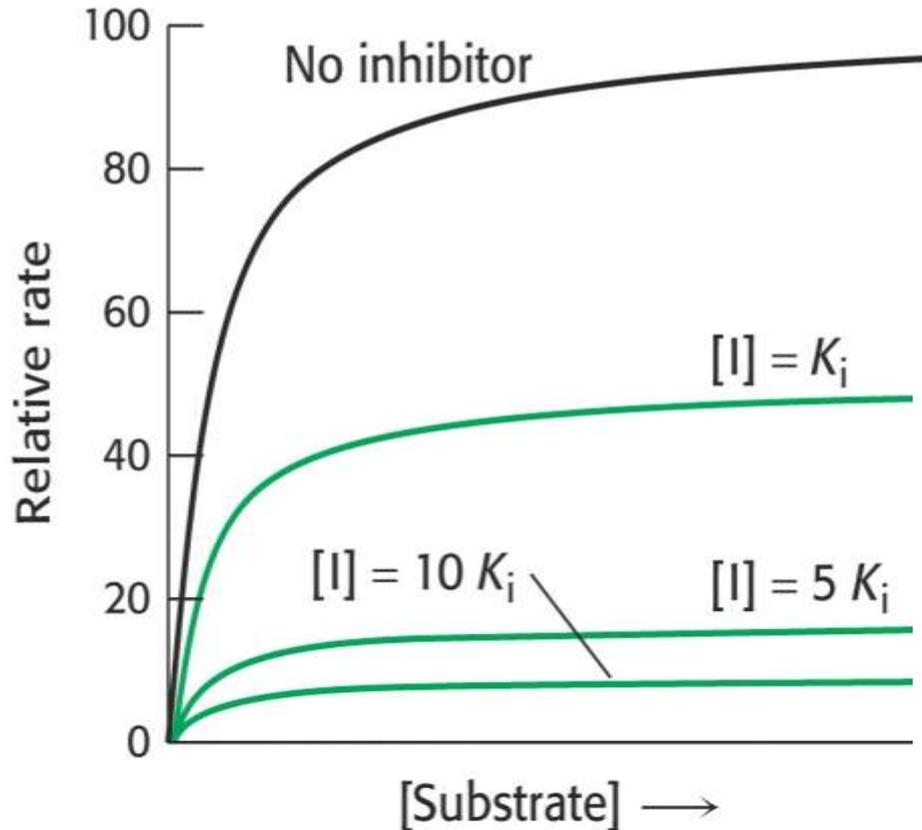
## Non-Competitive inhibition affects $V_{max}$

Neither can react



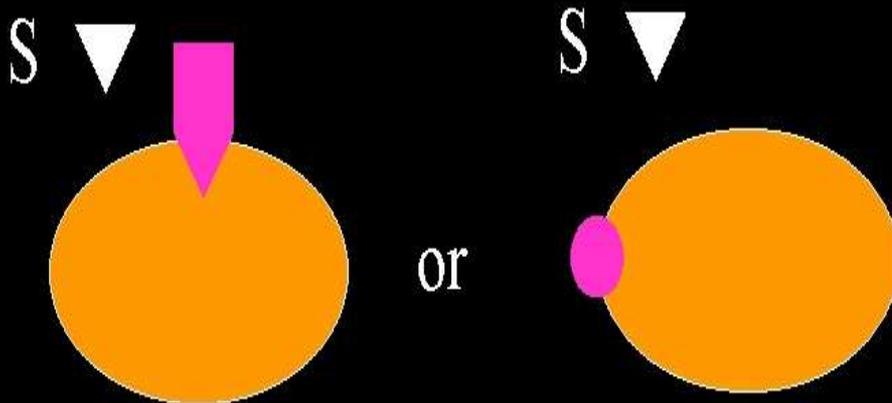
Max

- > Inhibition cannot be overcome by increase in substrate concentration
- >  $V_{max}$  altered: apparent  $V_{max}$  value decreased



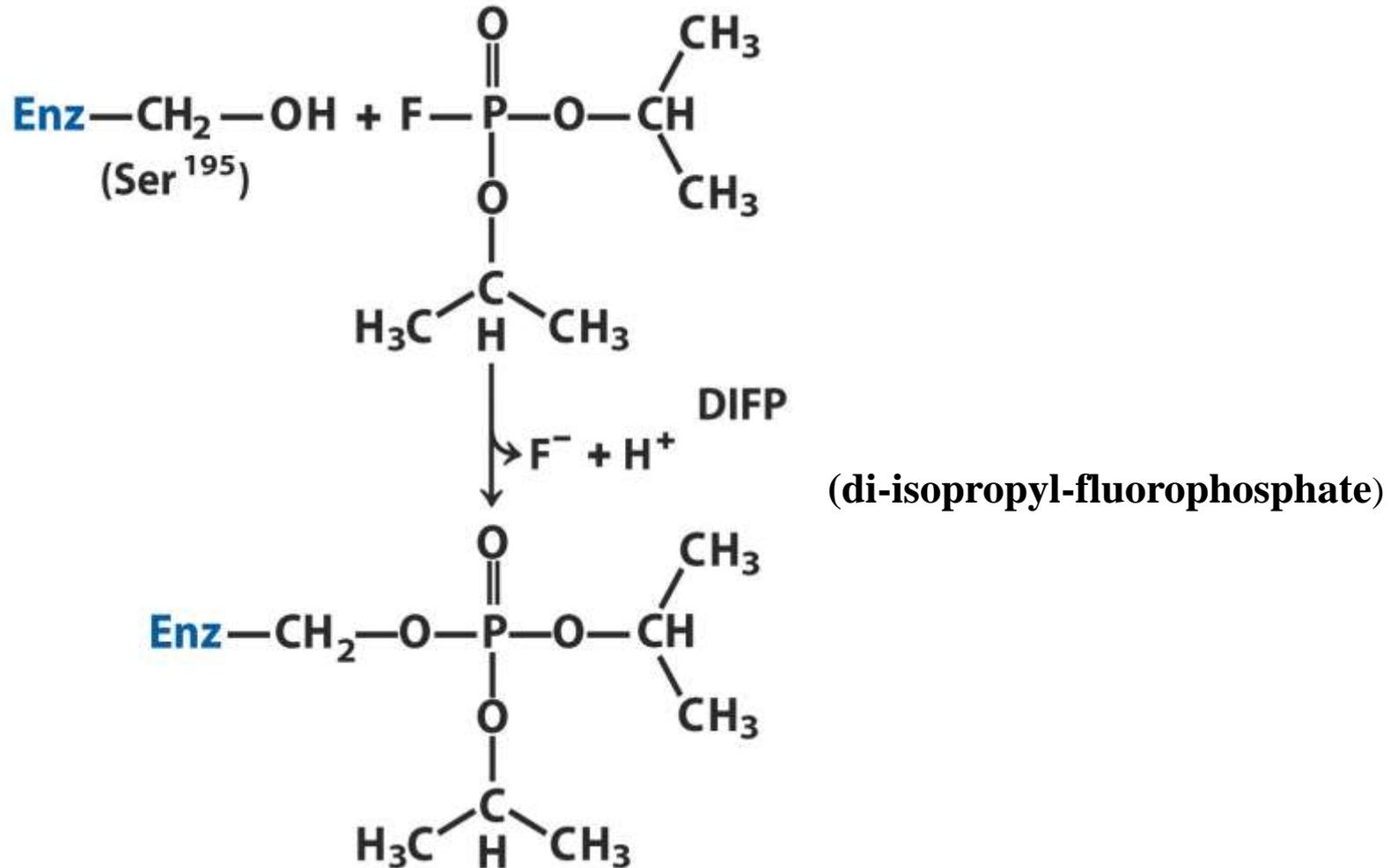
# Irreversible Inhibition

## 3. IRREVERSIBLE

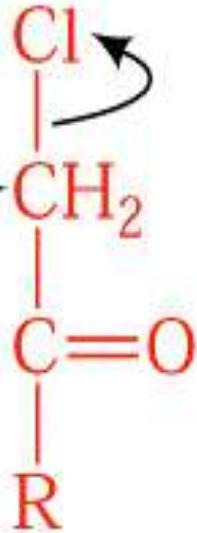
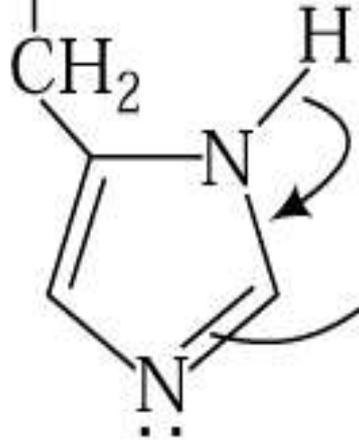


- ***Inhibitor may bind to the active site or alternative site***
- ***Next, inhibitor forms a covalent bond to the enzyme***
- ***Since inhibitor, will not fall off, the enzyme molecule is dead***

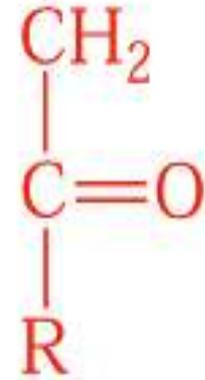
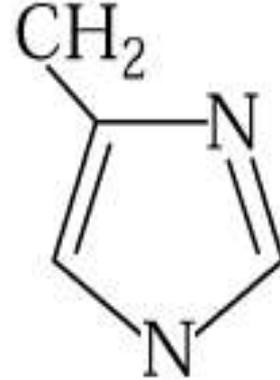
## Irreversible Inhibition by Adduct Formation



Chymotrypsin



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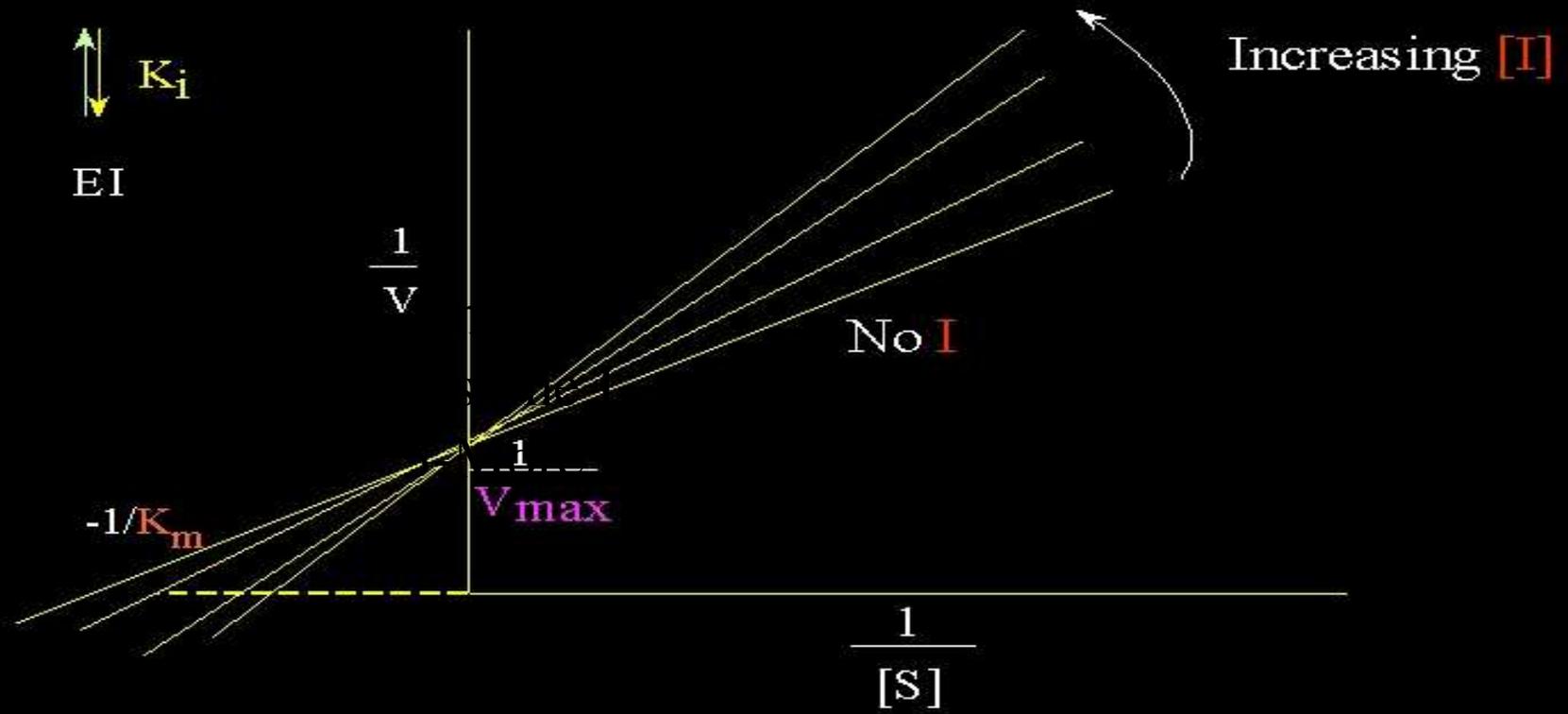
TPCK

(Chloromethyl ketone)

1. Competitive (reversible)



$$K_i = \frac{[E][I]}{[EI]}$$



- 1-no I      *Slope=Km/Vmax*
- 2-some I    *Km increase↑ and Vmax constant*
- 3-More I

Different slopes, same y-intercept (Km for substrate increases)

#### 4. Uncompetitive Inhibition



ESI

$\frac{1}{V}$

Increasing [I]

$\frac{K_m}{V_{max}}$

$1 + \frac{[I]}{K_i}$   
 $\frac{1}{V_{max}}$

$-1/K_m$

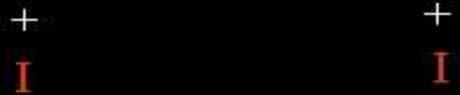
$\frac{1}{[S]}$

- 1-no I      Slope= $K_m/V_{max}$
- 2-some I     $K_m$  decreases and  $V_{max}$  decreases
- 3-More I

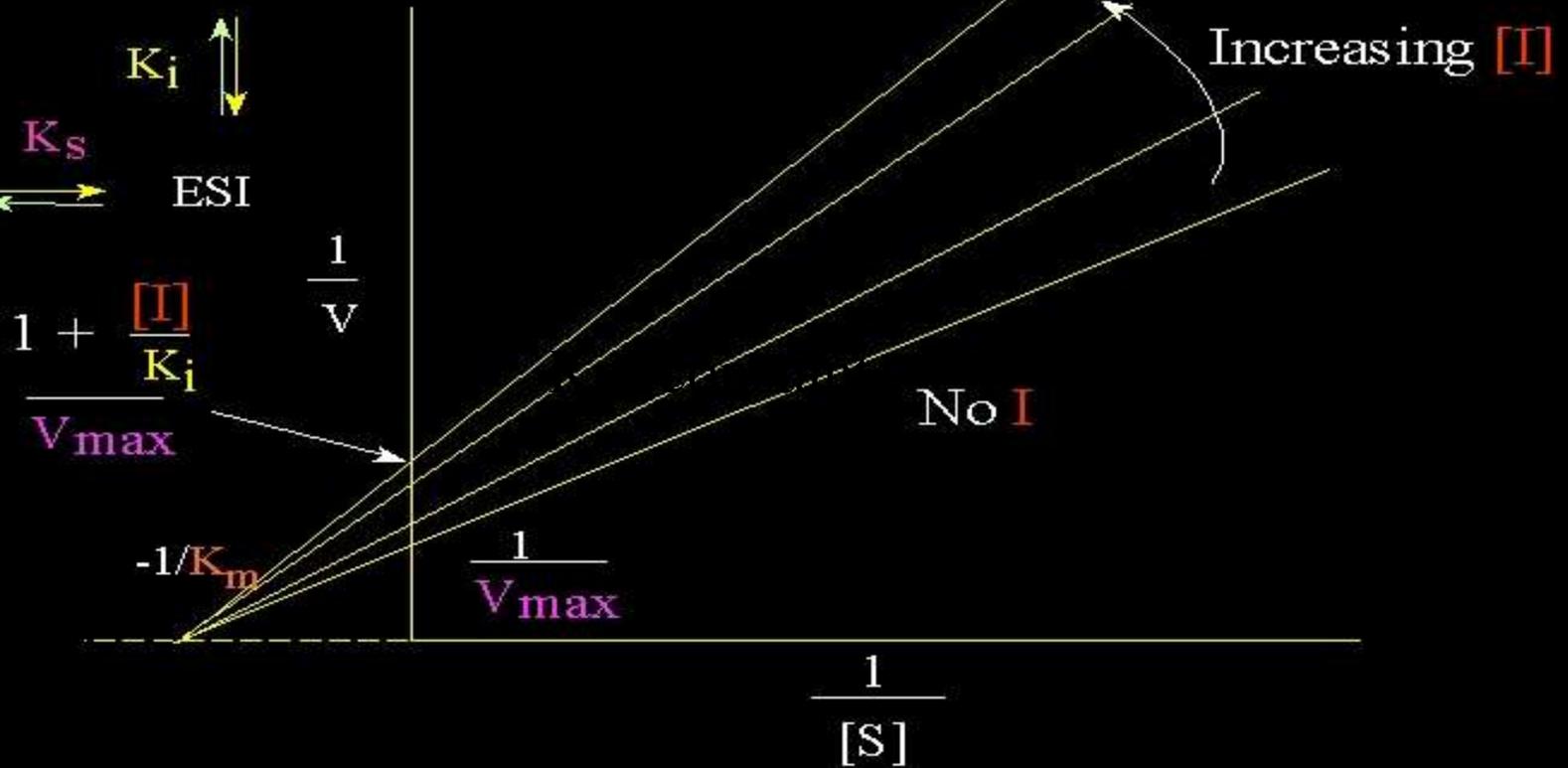
Same slope, different x-intercept and y-intercept (Equal change in both  $K_m$  and  $V_{max}$ )

## 2. Noncompetitive (reversible)

$$K_i = \frac{[E][I]}{[EI]} = \frac{[ES][I]}{[ESI]}$$



Lineweaver-Burk plot



Different slopes, different y-intercept, same x-intercept ( $V_{max}$  decreases)  $\downarrow$   $K_m$  constant

# Enzyme Inhibition-Irreversible

- Group-specific reagents  
 -> e.g.  $S_N$ -Reaction  
 Esterfication

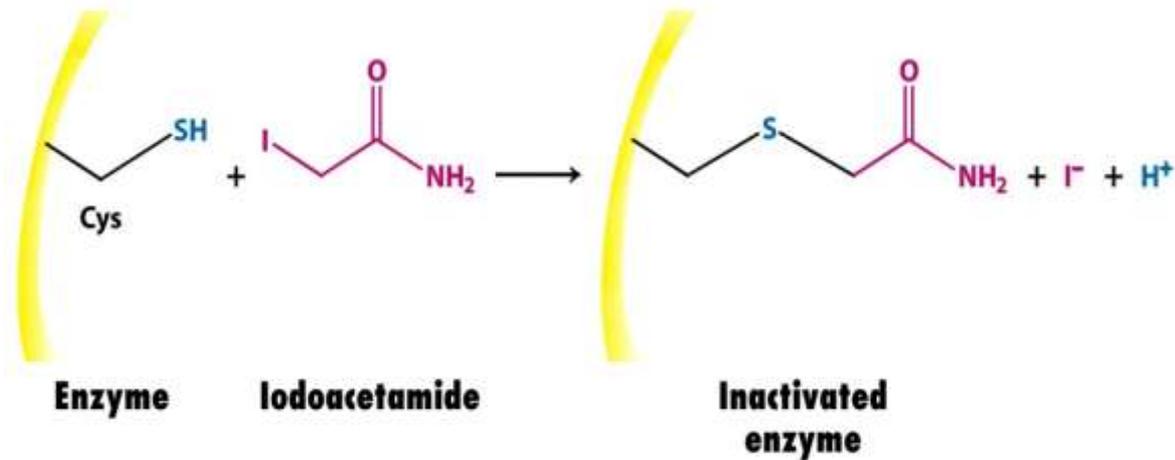


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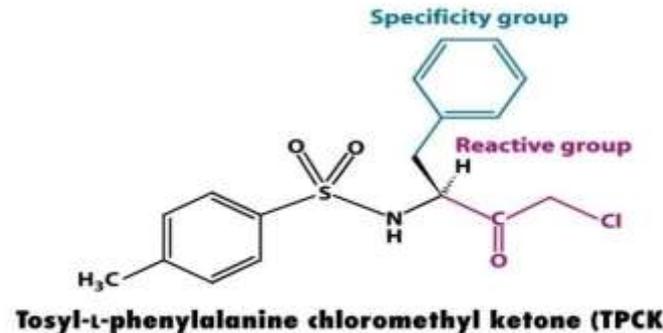
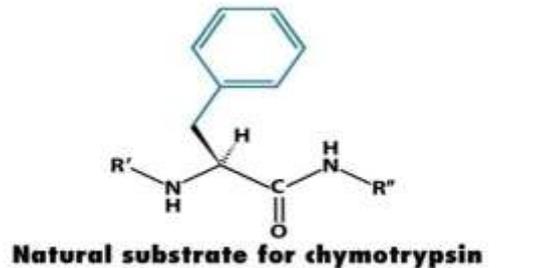


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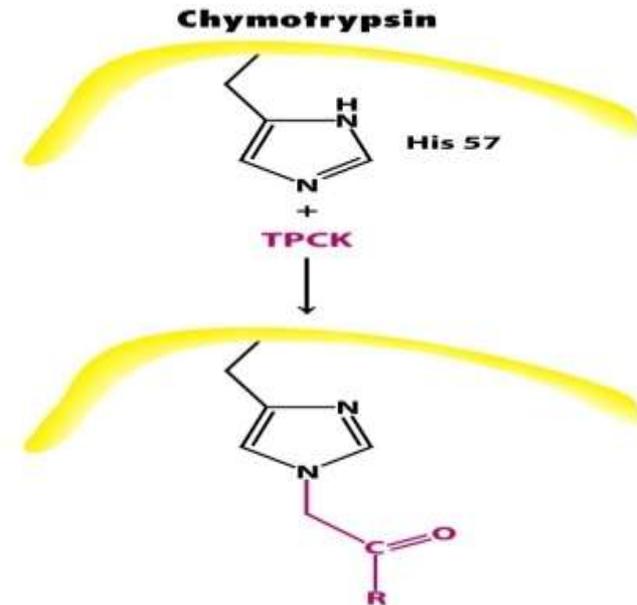


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- *Substrate analog*

# Summary

- Enzymes are **biological catalysts, Enzyme as proteins**
- Enzymes DO decrease the activation energy of a reaction ( $\Delta G^\ddagger$ )
- Factors Affecting Enzyme Activity T, PH, [S], [E] and Inhibitors
- General reaction  $E+S \longrightarrow ES \longrightarrow P+E$
- Michaelis-Menten Equation  $V_0 = V_{max} * [S] / K_m * [S]$
- 1-Lineweaver –Burke PLOT
  - $1/V_0 = K_m/V_{max} * 1/S + 1/V_{max}$  and Its proofed last equation

$$K_m \implies [S] \text{ When } V_0 = \frac{1}{2} V_{max}$$

- enzyme has a small value of  $K_M$ , it achieves its maximum catalytic efficiency at low substrate
- **Inhibitors –Competitive  $K_m \uparrow$   $V_{max}$  –Un competitive  $K_m \downarrow$   $V_{max} \downarrow$**   
**-Non-competitive  $V_{max} \downarrow$**
- $\uparrow [S]$  only in **Competitive Inhibition** .
- **Tow types From Inhibitors Reversible and Irreversible .**

$$\frac{1}{V} = \frac{1}{V_{\max}} + \frac{K_M}{V_{\max}} \frac{1}{[S]} \quad (18)$$

### Determining $K_M$ and $V_{\max}$ experimentally

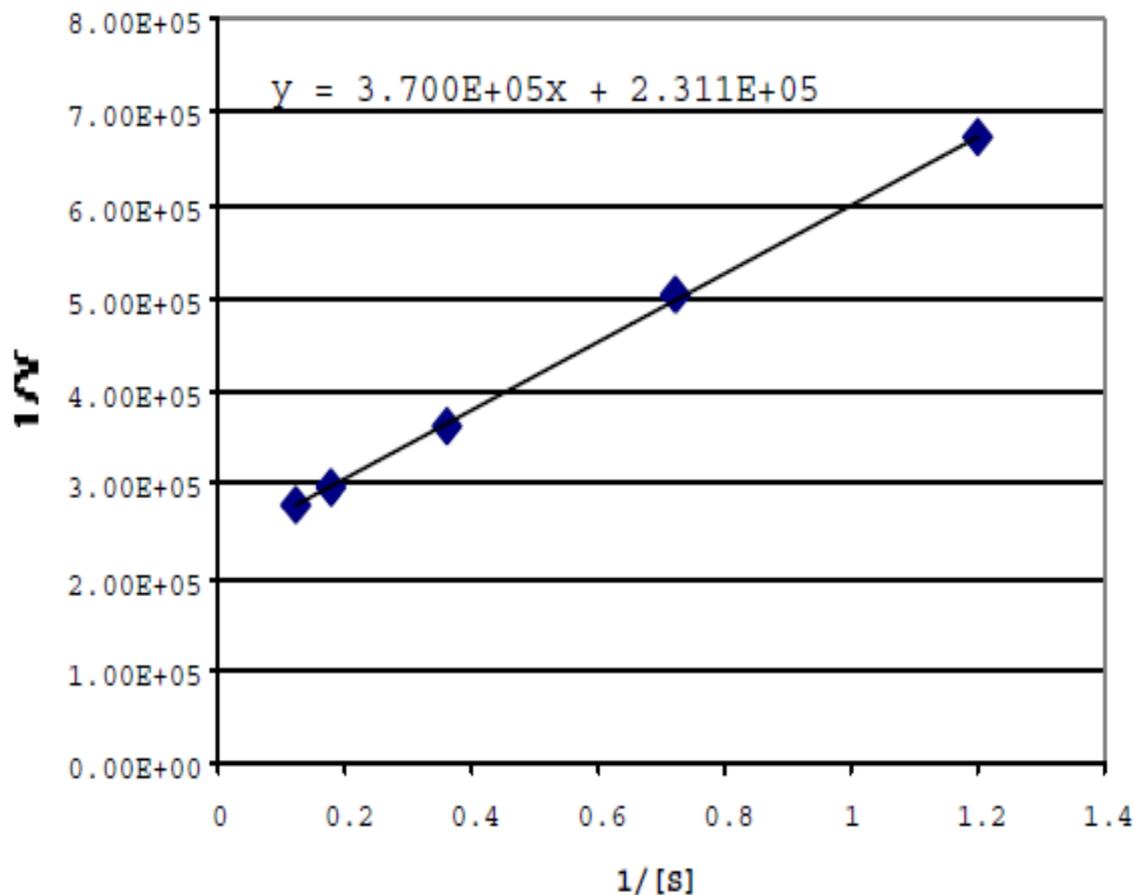
To characterize an enzyme-catalyzed reaction  $K_M$  and  $V_{\max}$  need to be determined. The way this is done experimentally is to measure the rate of catalysis (reaction velocity) for different substrate concentrations. In other words, determine  $V$  at different values of  $[S]$ . Then plotting  $1/V$  vs.  $1/[S]$  we should obtain a straight line described by equation (18). From the y-intercept and the slope, the values of  $K_M$  and  $V_{\max}$  can be determined. For example, use EXCEL to plot the data shown below. Fit the data to a straight line, and from the equation of the straight line determine the values of  $K_M$  and  $V_{\max}$ .

$$\frac{1}{V} = \frac{1}{V_{\max}} + \frac{K_M}{V_{\max}} \frac{1}{[S]} \quad (18)$$

[S] (mM)	V (mM/sec)	1/[S] (mM <sup>-1</sup> )	1/V (sec/mM)
8.33	3.62E-06	0.12	2.76E+05
5.55	3.39E-06	0.18	2.95E+05
2.77	2.75E-06	0.36	3.64E+05
1.38	1.99E-06	0.72	5.02E+05
0.83	1.49E-06	1.2	6.73E+05

You should obtain a plot as shown in figure 6 below. From the fit to the data show that

$K_M = 1.6$  for this data and  $V_{\max}$  is  $4.32 \times 10^{-6}$  mM/sec



### Significance of $K_M$

$$\frac{1}{V} = \frac{1}{V_{\max}} + \frac{K_M}{V_{\max}} \frac{1}{[S]} \quad (18)$$

From equation 18, when  $[S] = K_M$ , then  $V = V_{\max}/2$ . Hence  $K_M$  is equal to the substrate concentration at which the reaction rate is half its maximum value. In other words, if an enzyme has a small value of  $K_M$ , it achieves its maximum catalytic efficiency at low substrate concentrations. Hence, the smaller the value of  $K_M$ , the more efficient is the catalyst. The value of  $K_M$  for an enzyme depends on the particular substrate. It also depends on the pH of the solution and the temperature at which the reaction is carried out. For most enzymes  $K_M$  lies between  $10^{-1}$  and  $10^{-7}$  M.

Thank you

