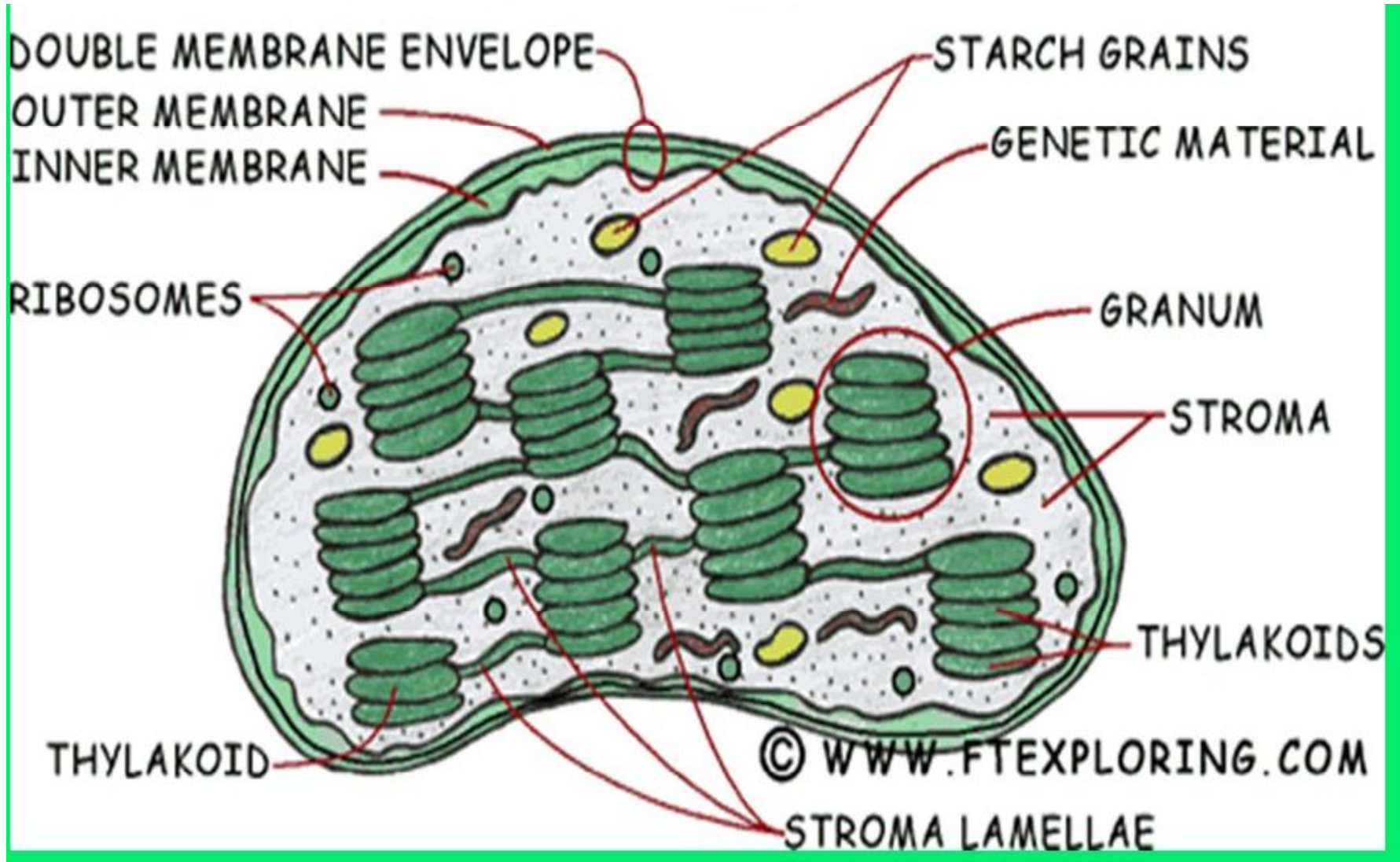


- **First observed by Anton Von Leeuwenhoek in 17<sup>th</sup> century.**
- **Small green bodies present in the cytoplasm of higher plants and green algae.**
  - **size – 2-4 x 5-10 micrometer**
- **Average no. of chloroplasts per cell – 50-60**
  - **ellipsoidal or disc shaped**

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### 3 main components: The envelope, The stroma, The Thylakoids



## **THE ENVELOPE (membrane)**

- **It is made up of two membranes – outer and inner**
- **It is 50 angstrom in thickness and made of lipoproteins.**
- **The inner membrane is in continuity with the thylakoids and is yellow in colour due to the presence of carotenoids and it lacks chlorophyll.**
- **It is selectively permeable.**
- **The outer membrane is smooth and freely permeable to small molecules.**

## THE STROMA / MATRIX

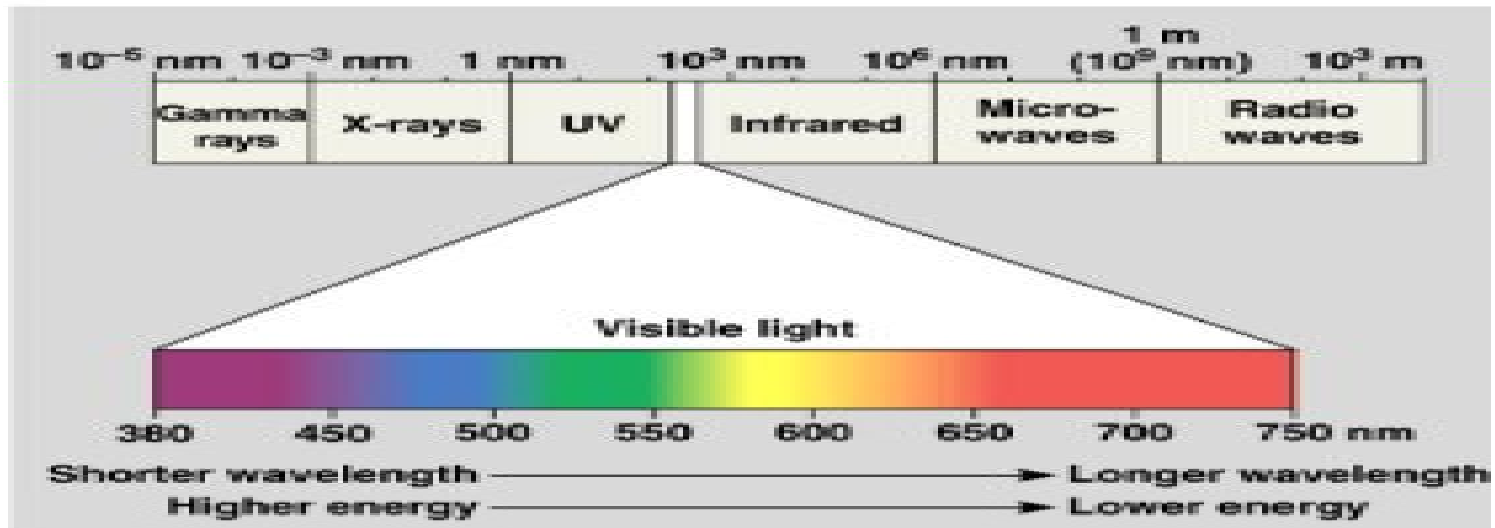
- The inner membrane surrounds a large, central, aqueous ground substance called the stroma.
- It is colloidal in nature.
- 50% of chloroplast proteins are present in the stroma and it also contains ribosomes, enzymes, DNA and RNA.

## THE THYLAKOIDS

- ❖ These consist of flattened vesicles arranged as a membraneous network.
- ❖ They may be stacked (10-100) like a pile of coins, forming grana or they may be unstacked called stroma thylakoids.
- ❖ About 40-60 grana in a chloroplast.
- ❖ They contain about 505 of proteins and all the components essential for photosynthesis.
- ❖ The stroma thylakoids and the grana thylakoids are interconnected by tubules.
- ❖ The membrane connecting one granum with the other is called as stroma lamellae.
- ❖ Chlorophylls, carotenoid and a reaction center are assembled in thylakoids forming two photosystems (I & II).

## PHOTOSYNTHETIC PIGMENTS

They are colored organic molecules in a biological system which absorb light energy in the visible range of electromagnetic spectrum and convert it into chemical energy.





## TYPES

Water  
soluble

- **PHYCOCYANIN (blue)**
- **PHYCOERYTHRIN (red)**

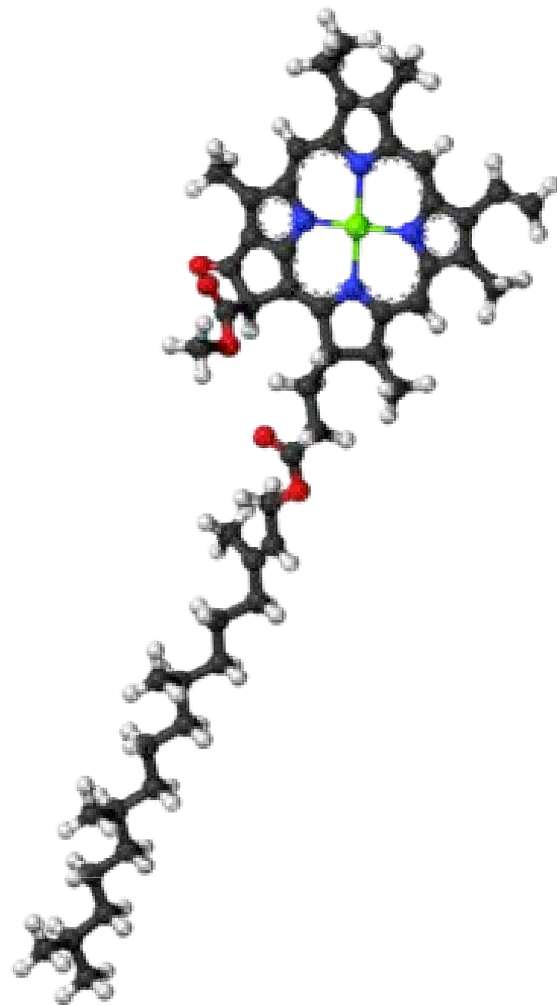
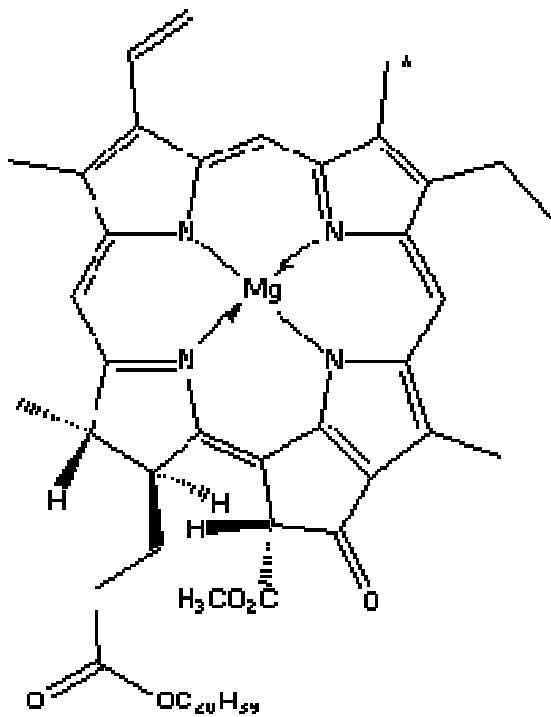
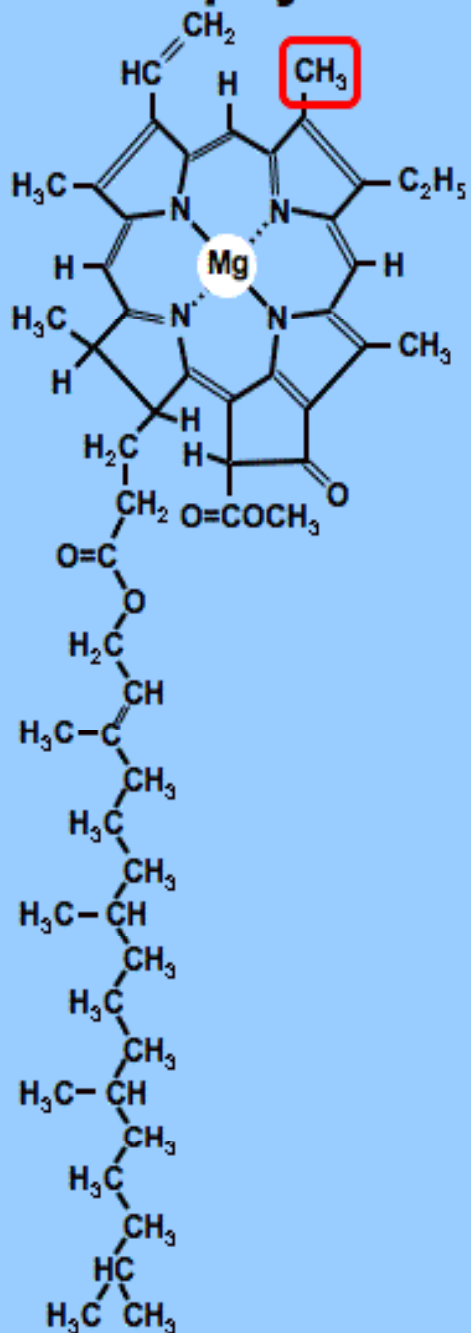
Organic  
solvent  
soluble

- **CHLOROPHYLLS (green)**
- **CAROTENOIDS (orange)**

## CHLOROPHYLLS

- Green pigments found in all photosynthetic organisms.
  - A molecule of chlorophyll consists of a head and a tail.
  - Head is made of tetrapyrrole rings and one isopentyl carbon ring arranged in cyclic form.
    - Non ionic Mg atom is found in the center of the ring.
  - Two molecules of pyrrole rings are linked to Mg with two covalent bonds and the rest two with coordinate bonds.
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- In addition, a 5<sup>th</sup> isocyclic ring is also present which contains only carbon atoms.
  - This porphyrin skeleton bears an alcohol component with 20 carbon atoms known as PHYTOL tail which is bounded to the 7<sup>th</sup> carbon of porphyrin head.
    - Phytol tail is hydrophobic and has one double bond.
      - Chlorophyll molecule looks like a spatula.

# Chlorophyll a



# TYPES

**Chlorophyll – a, b, c, d, e, f**

**Bacterio chlorophyll – a, b, c, d, e**

**The basic structures of all chlorophyll molecules are the same. They vary in their chains attached to the pyrrole rings.**

**a- all  
B- algae  
C- diatoms, brown  
algae  
d – red algae**

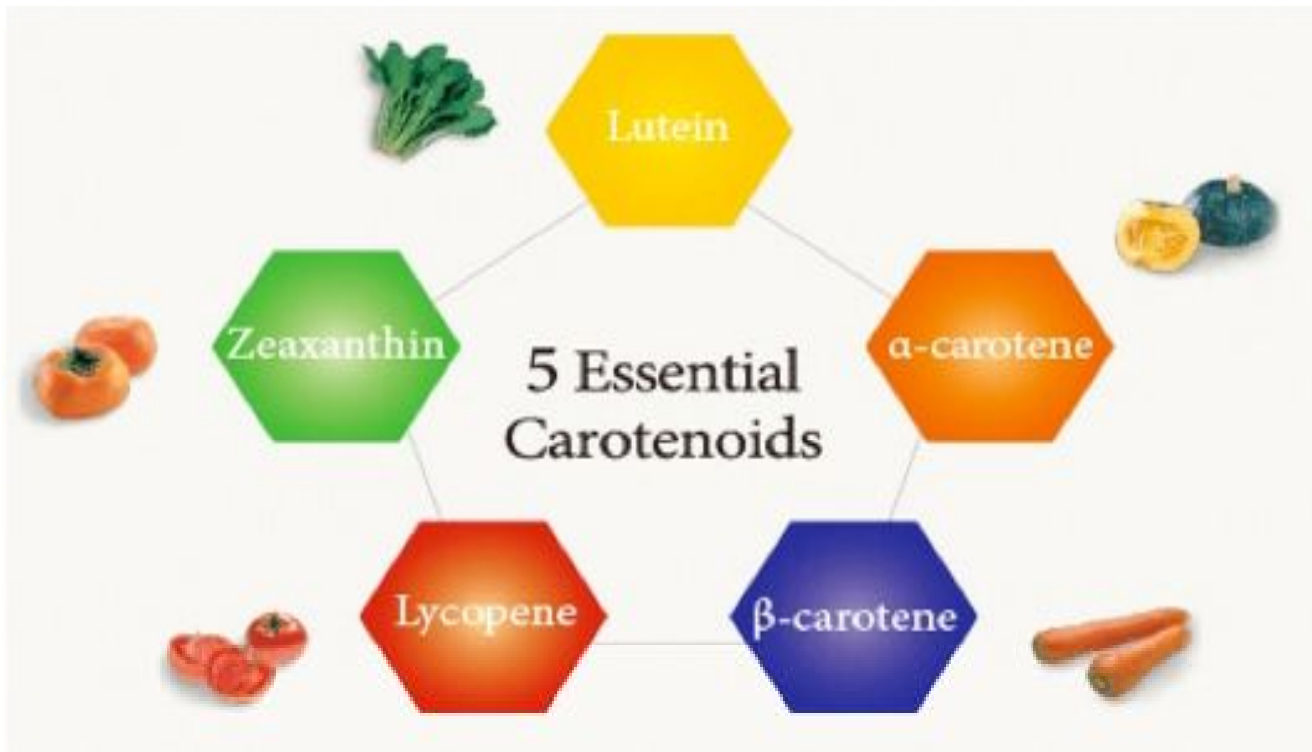
**3<sup>rd</sup> carbon – methyl group – Chl a  
aldehyde group – Chl b**

# CAROTENOIDS

- ❖ **Accessory pigments of photosynthesis**
- ❖ **Absorb light in between 400-500 nm and so orange in colour**
- ❖ **They shield the chlorophyll molecules against photo oxidation and trap solar energy of shorter wavelengths and transfer to chlorophyll**
- ❖ **they consist of long chains of C atoms linked by conjugated single and double bonds with six c rings at each end.**

## 2 types

- **CAROTENES** – alpha & beta
  - unsaturated hydrocarbons with C & H
- **XANTHOPHYLLS** – Lutein, lycopene, zeaxanthin
  - oxygen containing derivatives of carotenes





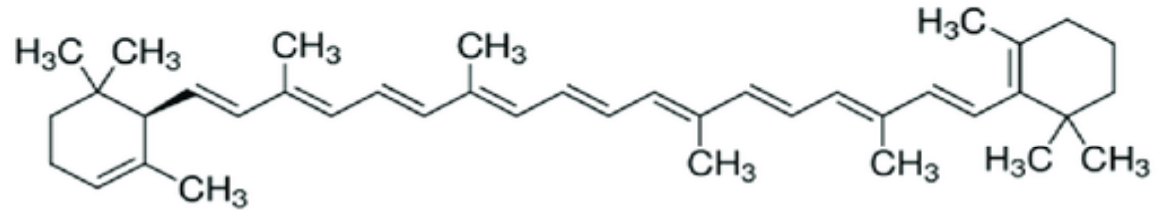
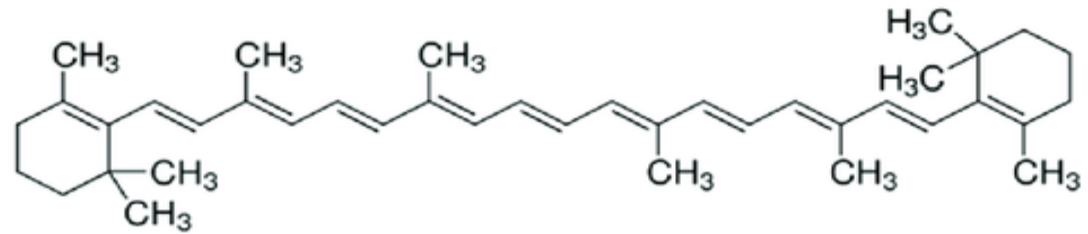
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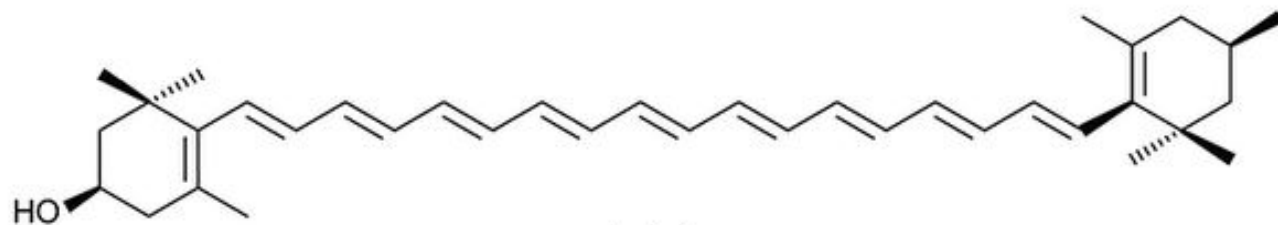
**Type**

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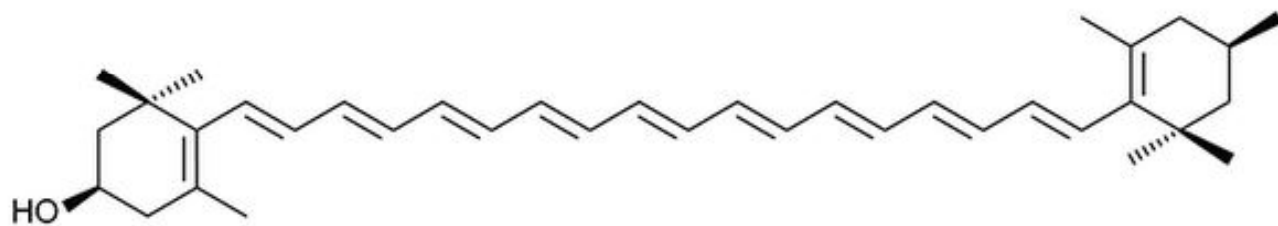
**Basic Structure**

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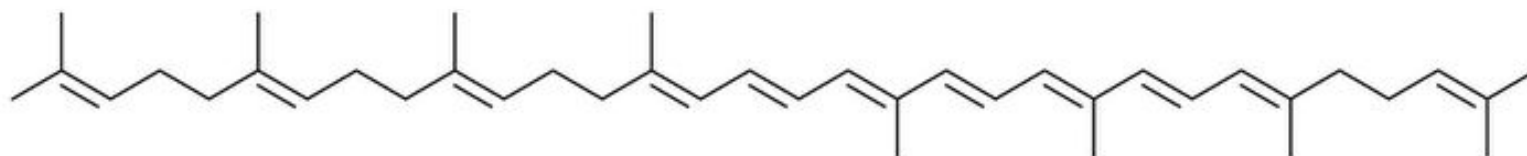
 $\alpha$ -Carotene $\beta$ -Carotene



Lutein



Zeaxanthin



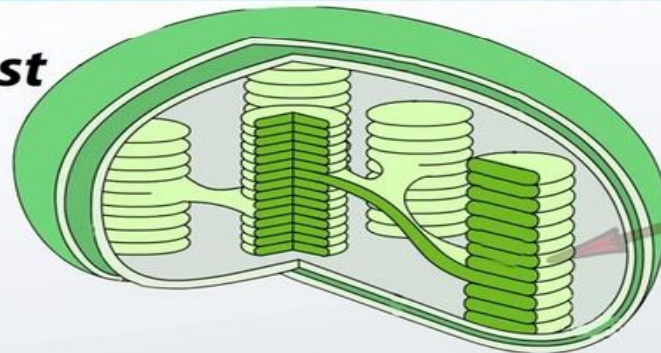
Lycopene

# PIGMENT SYSTEMS/ PHOTOSYSTEMS

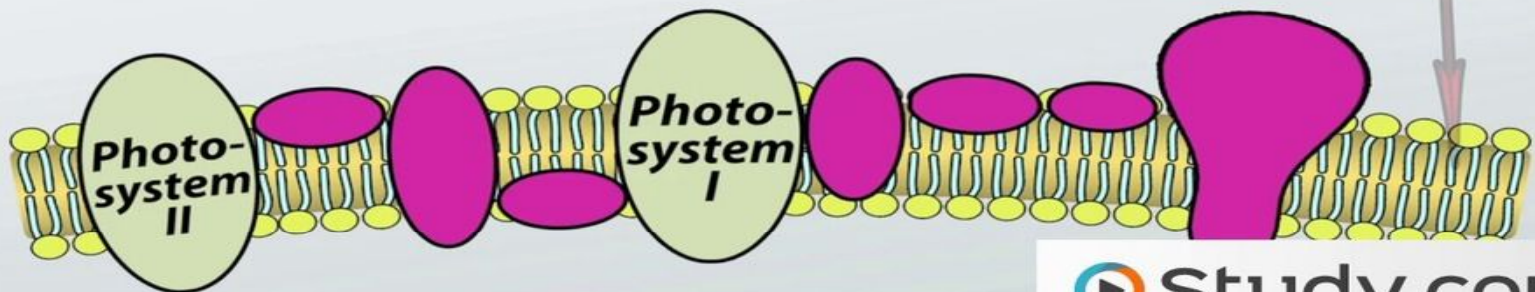
THEY ARE INTEGRAL MEMBRANE PROTEIN COMPLEXES SEEN IN THYLAKOIDS

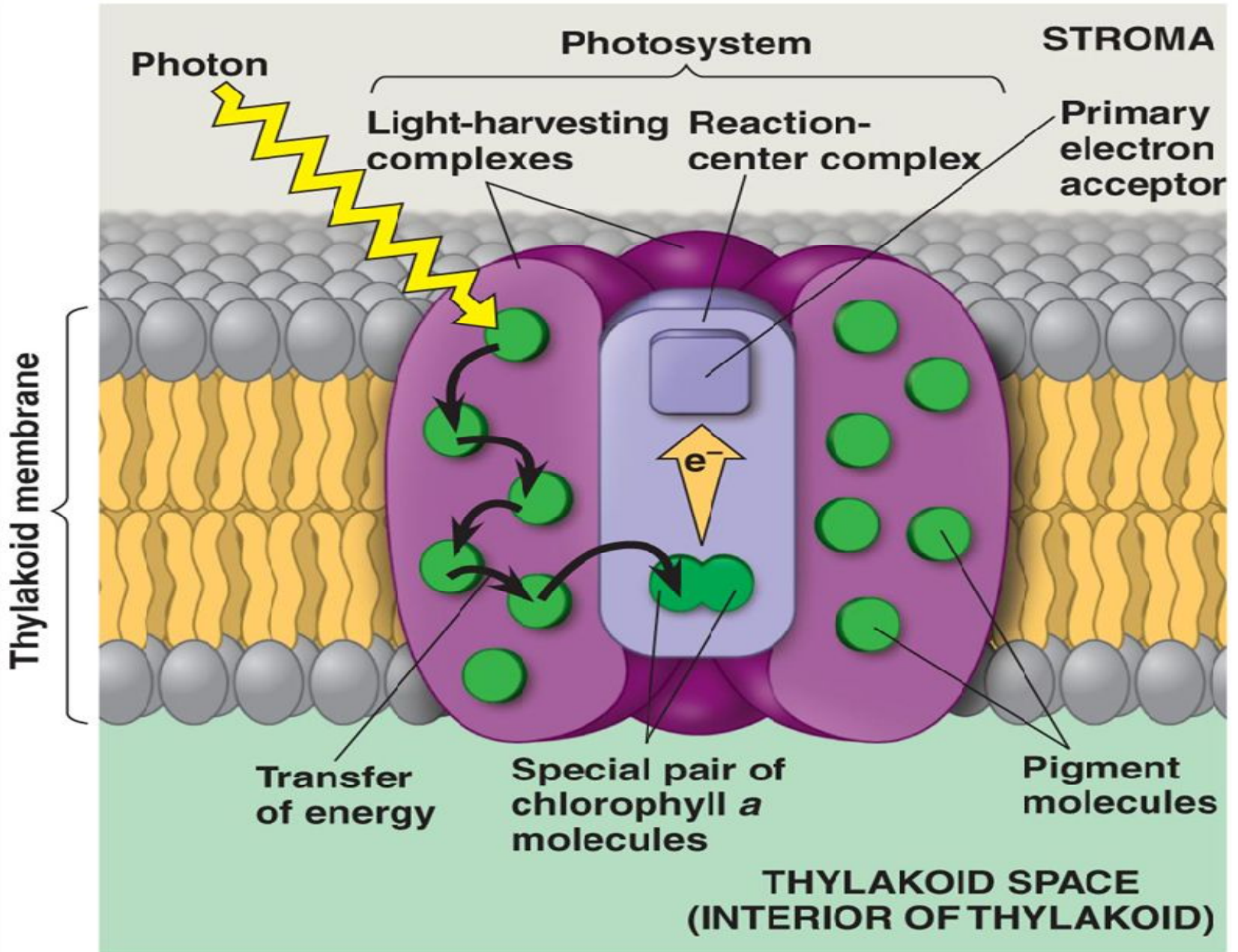
## PHOTOSYSTEMS

**Chloroplast**



**Thylakoid Membrane**





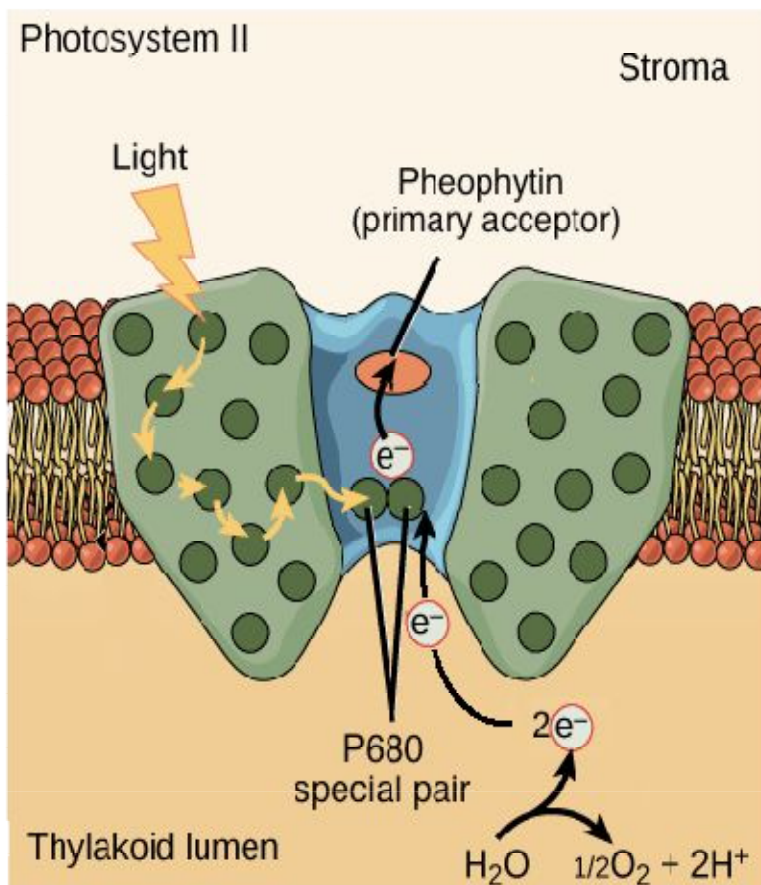
## **Photosystem I (PSI) :**

- 200 chlorophyll molecules, 50 carotenoids
- a molecule of P700 ( REACTION CENTER OF PS I)- absorbs light at 700nm
- one cytochrome f, one plastocyanin, two cytochrome b, one or two ferredoxin molecules.
- outer surface of thylakoid membrane
- both cyclic and non cyclic photophosphorylation

## **Photosystem II (PSII):**

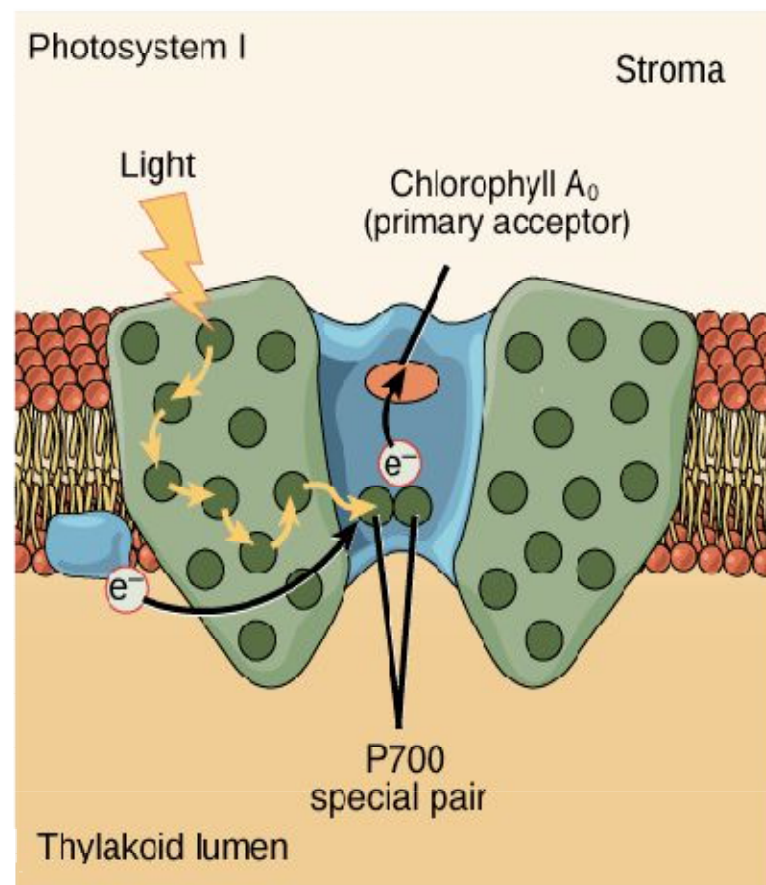
- 200 chlorophyll molecules, 50 carotenoids
- a molecule of P680 ( REACTION CENTER OF PS I)- absorbs light at 680nm
- one primary electron acceptor, one plastoquinone, four plastoquinone equivalents.
- inner surface of thylakoid membrane
- only in non cyclic photophosphorylation





Electron transport chain

A black arrow points from the Pheophytin primary acceptor of Photosystem II towards the left side of Photosystem I, indicating the direction of electron flow through the electron transport chain.





	<b>Photosystem I</b>	<b>Photosystem II</b>
<b>Light</b>	Photosystem I absorbs light of 700nm wavelengths.	Photosystem II absorbs light of 680nm wavelengths.
<b>Active Center</b>	Photosystem I has active center P700.	Photosystem II has active center P680.
<b>Photophosphorylation</b>	Photosystem I is involved in cyclic and non-cyclic photophosphorylation.	Photosystem II is involved only in non-cyclic photophosphorylation.
<b>Main Function</b>	The main function of photosystem I is the synthesis of ATP.	The main function of photosystem II is a synthesis of ATP and photolysis of water.
<b>Located at</b>	Photosystem I is located at the outer surface of grana of thylakoid.	Photosystem II is located in at the inner surface of grana of thylakoid.
<b>Binding Proteins</b>	Photosystem I has larger binding proteins.	Photosystem II has smaller binding proteins.



$6\text{CO}_2$   
carbon  
dioxide

+

$6\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
water

Photosynthesis



$\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$   
glucose

+

$6\text{O}_2$   
oxygen

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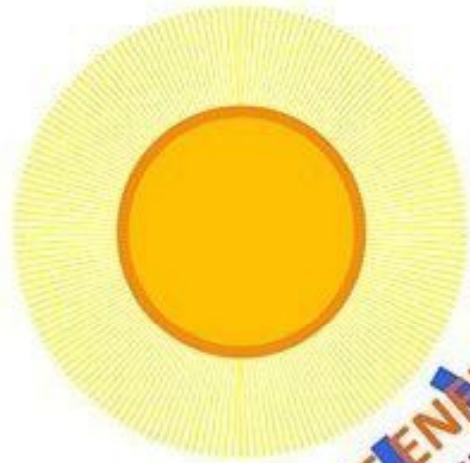
**Photosynthesis**  
is one of the reasons  
because of which  
life exists on Earth  
today.



# PHOTOSYNTHESIS

chlorophyll > (traps light energy to make food)

chloroplast > store energy-sugar.  
are inside the leaves.



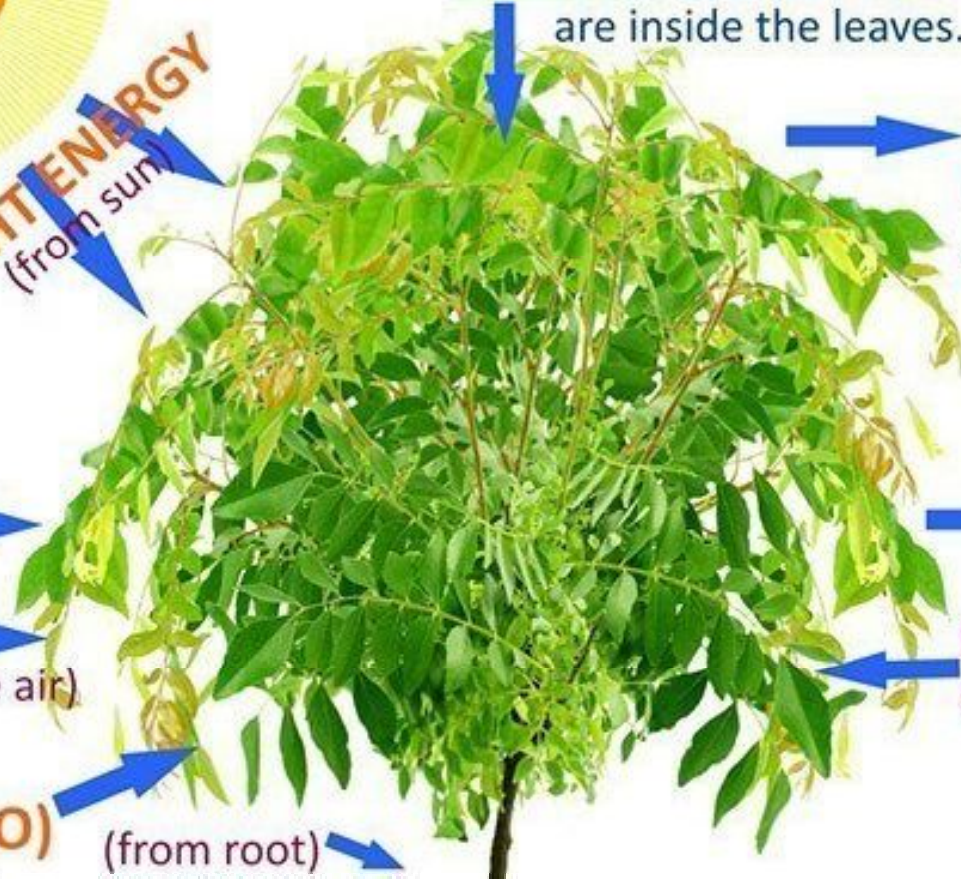
**LIGHT ENERGY**  
(from sun)

**OXYGEN (O<sub>2</sub>)**  
(released in to the air as a by product.)

**CARBON DIOXIDE GAS (CO<sub>2</sub>)**  
(from the air)

**GLUCOSE (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>6</sub>)**  
(stored in the plant and used as food.)

**WATER (H<sub>2</sub>O)**  
(from root)



# Photosynthesis



“**photo**” means “light”

“**synthesis**” means “putting together”

Photosynthesis is a chemical reaction that takes place in the chloroplasts in green plant cells, where light energy is used to convert carbon dioxide and water into glucose and oxygen.

# PHOTOSYNTHESIS



## Light reactions

Light needed to produce  
organic energy molecules  
ATP and NADPH



## Dark reactions

No light needed. Instead,  
Dark reactions use ATP  
and NADPH to produce  
energy molecules

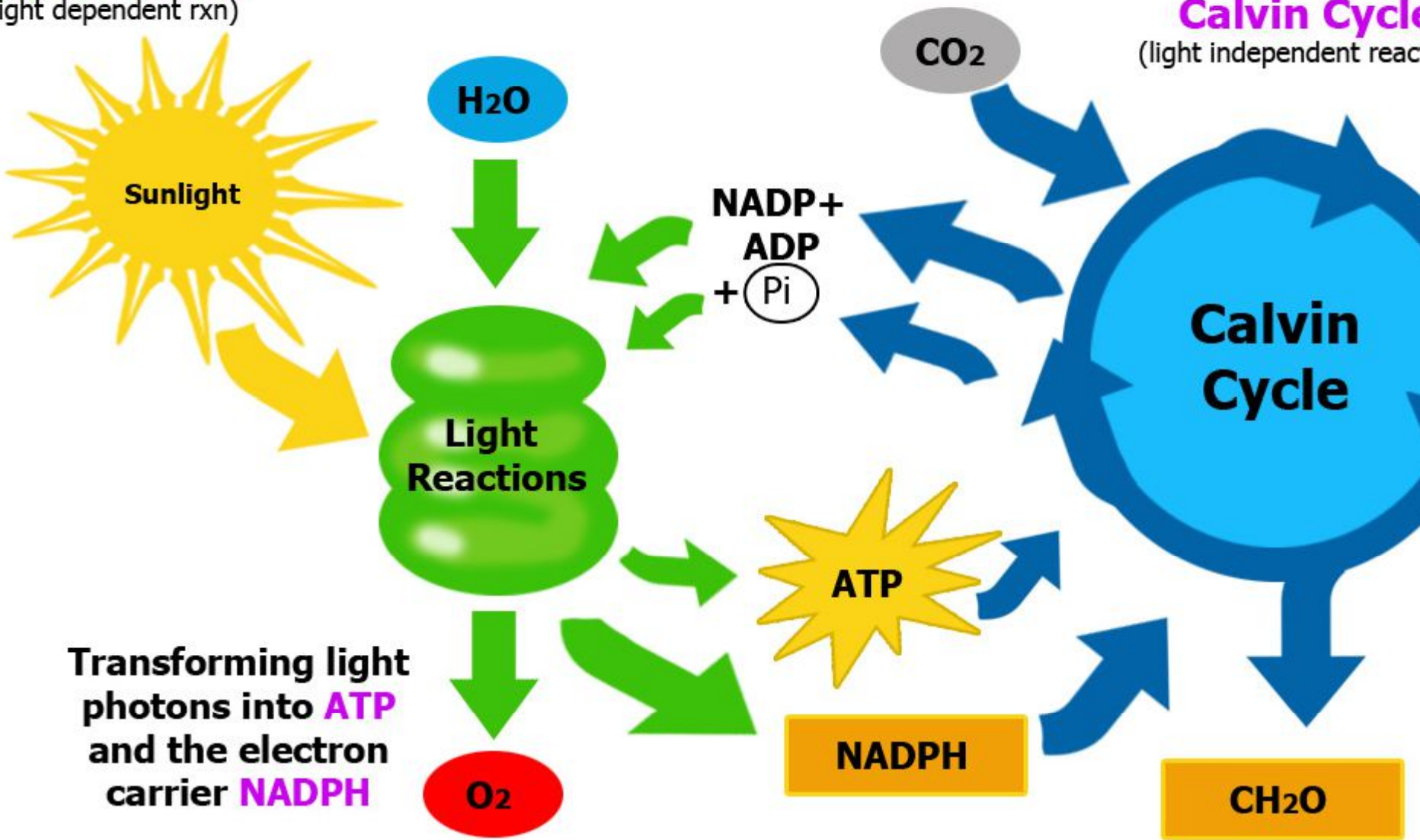


# Light Reaction

(light dependent rxn)

# Calvin Cycle

(light independent react)



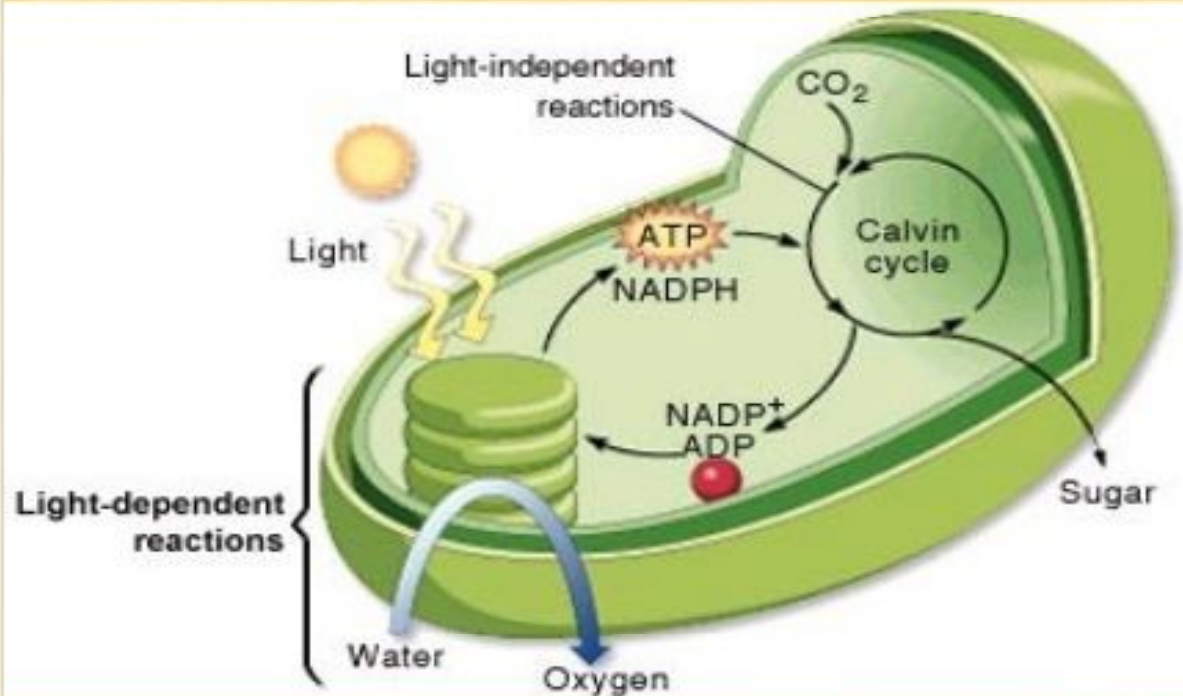
Transforming light photons into **ATP** and the electron carrier **NADPH**

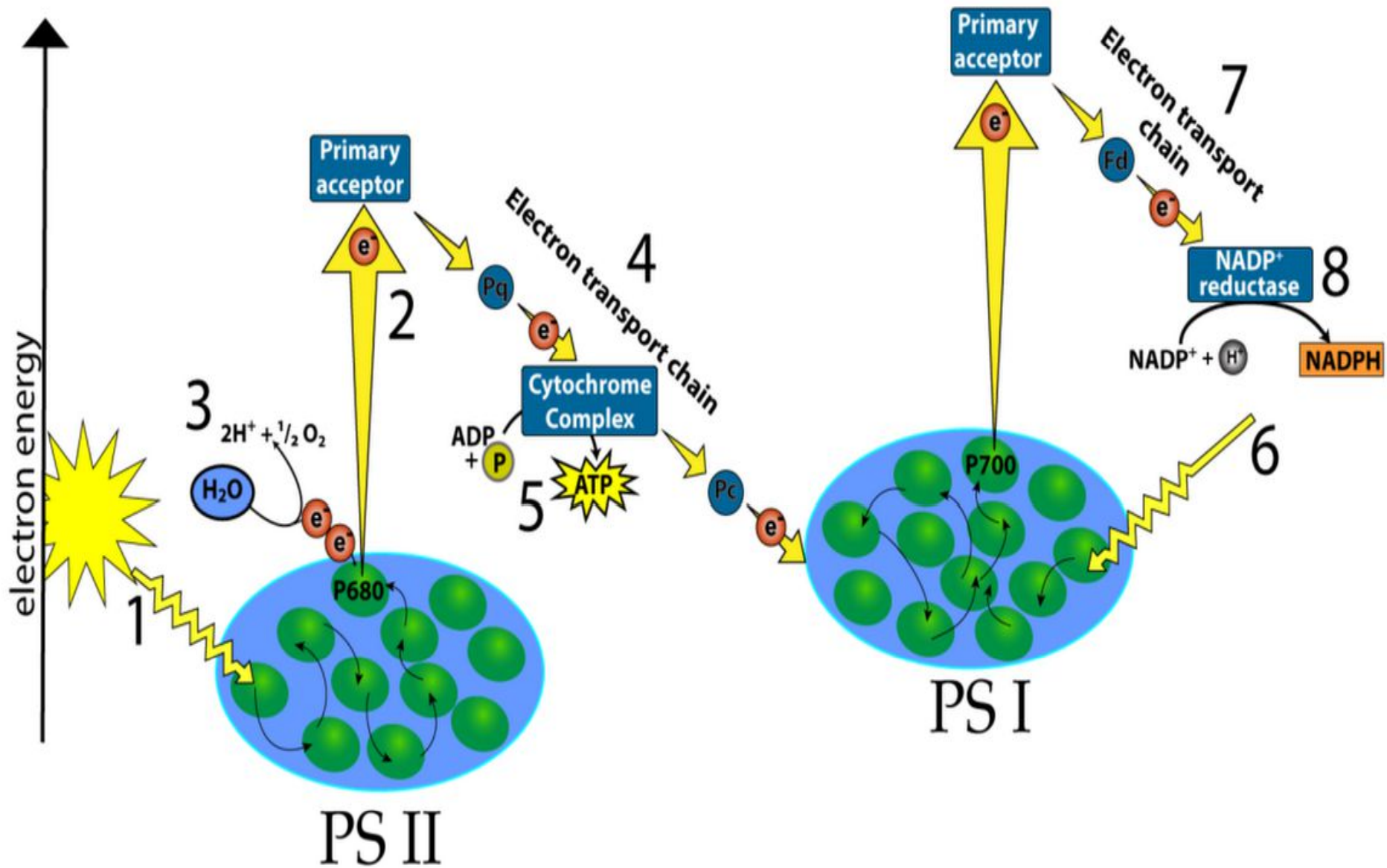
Use **ATP/NADPH** to make **glucose**

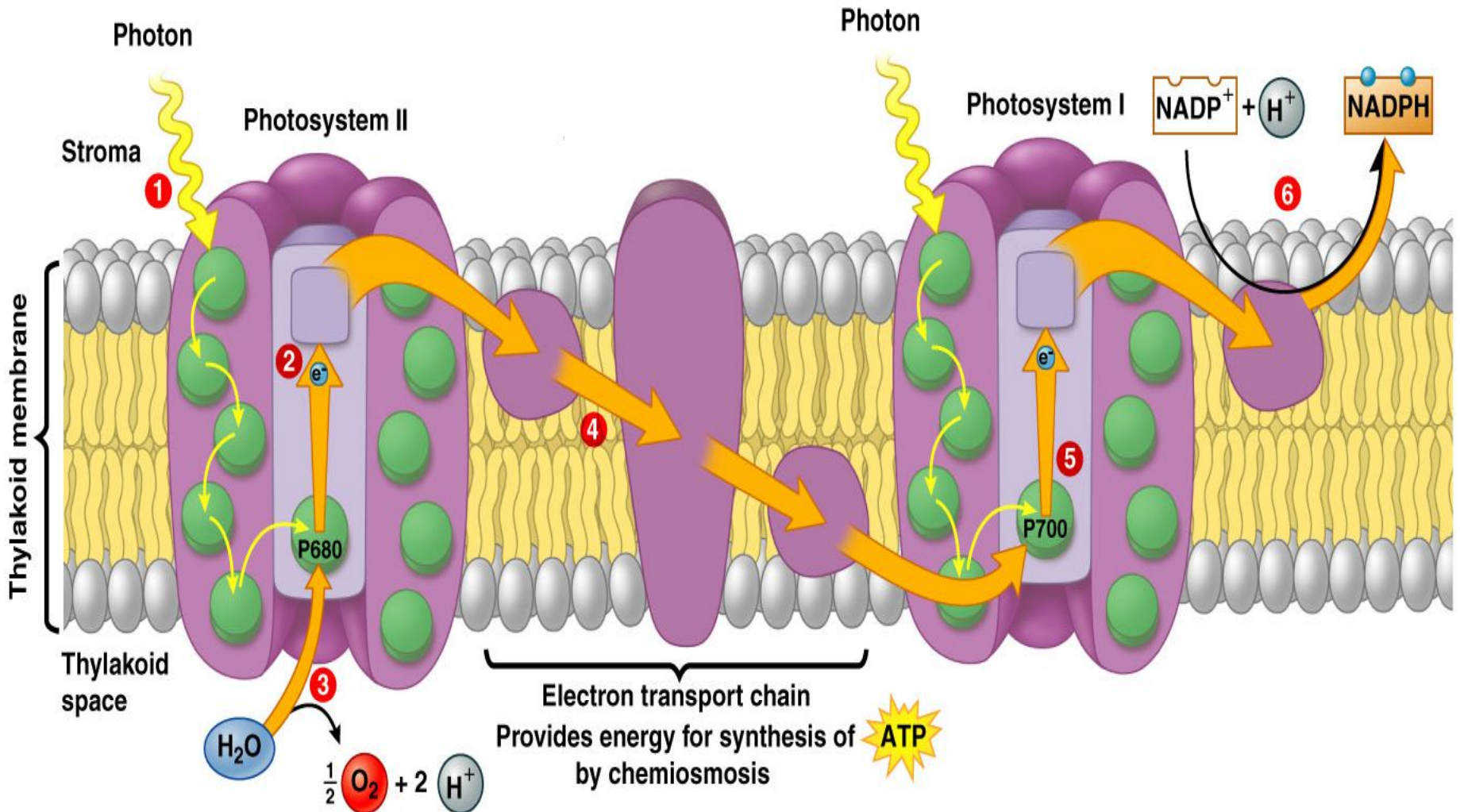


# Light Reactions

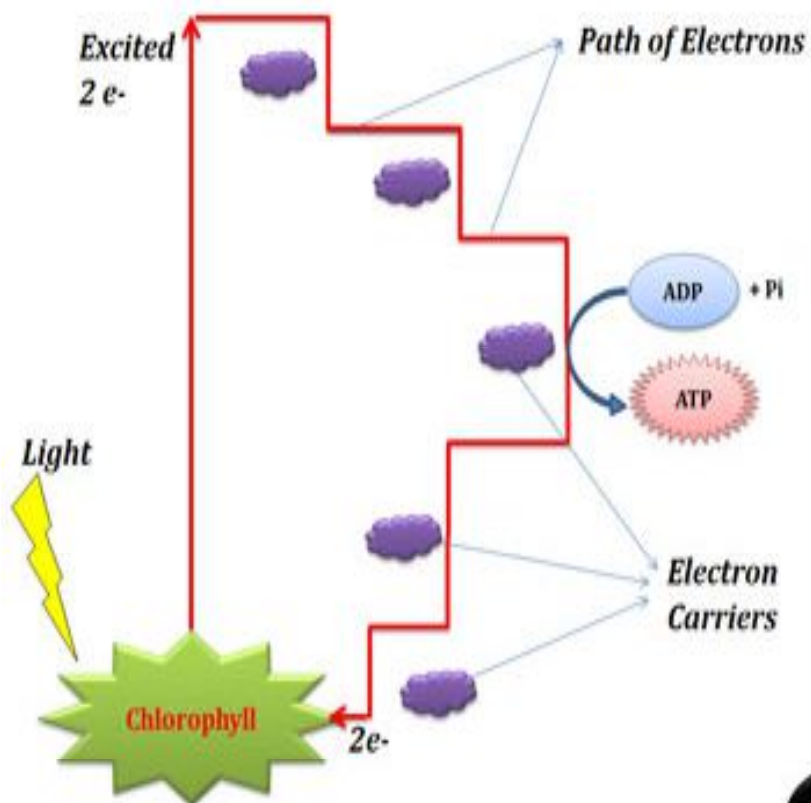
- Occurs in the thylakoid membranes at regions called photosystems
- Reactants: light and water
- Products: oxygen, ATP, NADPH





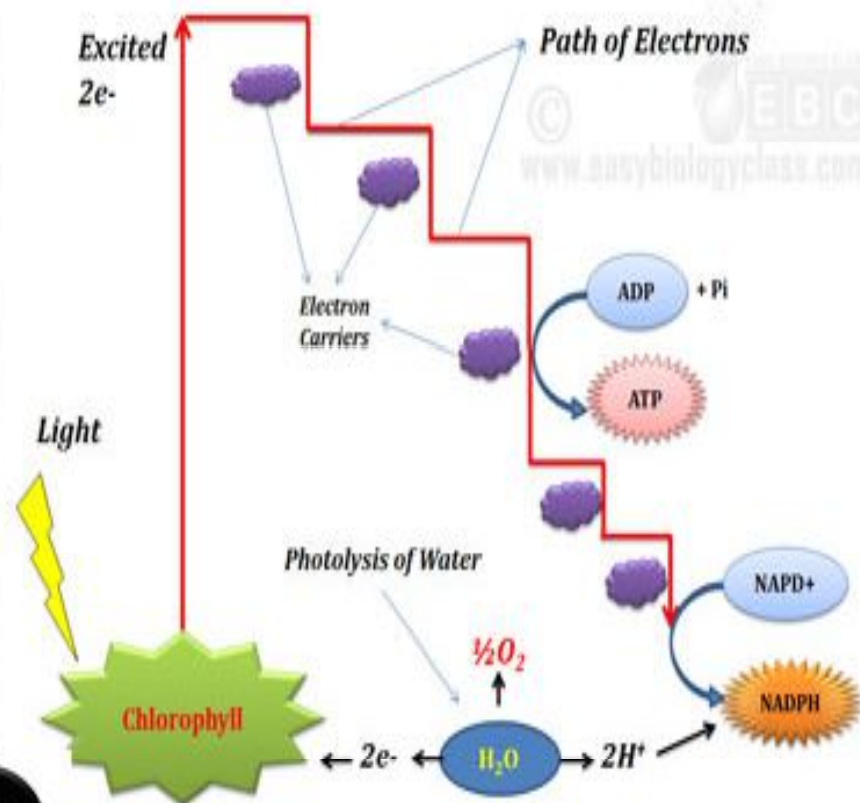






CYCLIC PHOTOPHOSPHORYLATION

vs



NONCYCLIC PHOTOPHOSPHORYLATION

# Comparison of Cyclic and Non-cyclic photophosphorylation

NON-CYCLIC	CYCLIC
Electrons do not come back to the same molecule	Electrons return to the same molecule.
First electron donor is water..	First electron is the P700 (PSI).
Involves both PSI and PSII	Involves only PSI
Last electron acceptor is NADP.	Last electron acceptor is P700 (PSI).
The net products are ATP, NADPH and O <sub>2</sub> .	The product is ATP only