

Irish physical chemist known for work on membrane equilibria. Most of career at University College London

Donnan Equilibria describes ionic transport in cells; "Donnan-Potential"



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**Frederick G Donnan** (1870 – 1956)

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Donnan's 1911 paper on membrane equilibrium important for leather and gelatin technology ③, but even more so for understanding transport between living cells and their surroundings.

## **FFF: Complete Description of Coupled Transport and Biomolecular Interactions**



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### **EKG: Centric Dipole Model of the Heart**



Beating Heart is still a solution of Laplace:  $\nabla^2 \Phi = 0$ 

Table 2.8 Quasistatic laws for linear media.

Electroquasistatic (EQS)

 $\nabla \cdot \epsilon \mathbf{E} = \rho_e$ 



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# **Electrosurgery: Cutting and Coagulation**



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### A Saturated FG-Repeat Hydrogel Can Reproduce the Permeability Properties of Nuclear Pore Complexes Cell, 2007

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Cell nuclei lack protein synthesis and therefore import all their proteins from the cytoplasm. In return, they supply the cytoplasmic compartment with nuclear products such as ribosomes, tRNAs, and mRNAs. The nuclear



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- "Hydrophilic" : lots of lysines (+ charge)
- ~1000 translocations / sec

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#### P. Provenzano et al., Cancer Cell, March 2012: Enzymatic targeting of the stroma ablates physical barriers to treatment of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma

From Fig. 7 in paper: <u>Blue spheres represent small chemotherapy molecules</u>, vessels are shown in **red**, carcinoma cells in <u>light blue</u>, activated PSC in <u>brown</u>, collagen in <u>green</u>, and <u>Hyaluronic</u> <u>acid (hyaluronan, HA) in yellow</u>. Pi, interstitial ("intra-tissue") fluid pressure; Pv, intravascular fluid pressure. (The examiner cannot confirm or deny the color scheme.)



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Nature, 10/12/2014

#### A three-dimensional human neural cell culture model of Alzheimer's disease

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**PSet 5.3** 



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**Background from paper**: Human neural progenitor cells that produce high levels of toxic amyloid- $\beta$  proteins were cultured in 3D Matrigel. Authors state, "In conventional 2D cultures, secreted amyloid- $\beta$  diffuses into a large volume of media (and are lost). We hypothesized that 3D culture accelerates amyloid- $\beta$  <u>deposition</u> by limiting diffusion of amyloid- $\beta$  out of the gel, allowing aggregation near the cells. We chose BD Matrigel (BD Biosciences) as a 3D support matrix since it contains high levels of brain extracellular matrix proteins.



- Gel & fixed charge density: uniform; culture medium is C<sub>o</sub> = 0.1M NaCl, pH 7 (for simplicity). Bath volume larger than gel. Add positively charged drug to medium at 10 nM; let the system come to complete equilibrium (concentration of all species inside the gel is uniform).
- Use Donnan Equilibrium to find/optimize drug & drug concentration in matrigel

# Pfizer Mystery Drug: "Pf-Pep" 760 Da; pl ~ 11 ("peptide; basic") ?????



Can drug charge increase penetration (?) and retention (?) of drug into desired tissue (tumor...)

# Boltzmann Distribution of mobile ions near charged macromolecules



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Amino acid	Abbreviations		Molecular mass (Da)	Number of atoms	Volume (A <sup>3</sup> )	Hydropathy index
Alanine	Ala	А	89	13	88.6	1.8
Arginine	Arg	R	174	26	173.4	-4.5
Asparagine	Asn	Ν	132	17	114.1	-3.5
Aspartic acid	Asp	D	133	16	111.1	-3.5
Cysteine	Cys	С	121	14	108.5	2.5
Glutamine	Gln	Q	146	20	143.8	-3.5
Glutamic Acid	Glu	E	147	19	138.4	-3.5
Glycine	Gly	G	75	10	60.1	-0.4
Histidine	His	Н	155	20	153.2	-3.2
Isoleucine	lle	I	131	22	166.7	4.5
Leucine	Leu	L	131	22	166.7	3.8
Lysine	Lys	K	146	24	168.6	-3.9
Methionine	Met	Μ	149	20	162.9	1.9
Phenylalanine	Phe	F	165	23	189.9	2.8
Proline	Pro	Р	115	17	112.7	-1.6
Serine	Ser	S	105	14	89.0	-0.8
Threonine	Thr	Т	119	17	116.1	-0.7
Tryptophan	Trp	W	204	27	227.8	-0.9
Tyrosine	Tyr	Y	181	24	193.6	-1.3
Valine	Val	V	117	19	140.0	4.2

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$$R_{U} = K_{part} \left( 1 + \frac{n}{K_{d} + c_{F}} \right)$$





### Can You Use Donnan to Find: Charge of the Drug ??





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