

Muscles And Molecules Uncovering The Principles Of Biological Motion

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Explore the fundamental principles underlying how muscles and molecules orchestrate biological motion. This insightful journey delves into molecular mechanisms, muscle contraction, and the intricate biomechanics that govern movement in living organisms, offering a deeper understanding of life's essential dynamics.

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Muscles & Molecules

An award-winning book that topples the widely accepted edifice of understanding on how muscles contract, replacing it with a simpler construct that better fits the evidence. This is a beautifully produced, single-authored text by one of our more thoughtful, if unconventional, authorities on the mechanism of muscular contraction. Clearly and elegantly written, and with a charm and grace not often seen in modern scientific writing.

Muscles & molecules

This book challenges the current wisdom of how cells work. It emphasizes the role of cell water and the gel-like nature of the cell, building on these features to explore the mechanisms of communication, transport, contraction, division, and other essential cell functions. Written for the non-expert, the book is profound enough for biologists, chemists, physicists and engineers.--From publisher description.

Cells, Gels and the Engines of Life

"A text for upper-level undergraduate and graduate courses in human performance, it uses an integrated scientific approach to explore solutions to problems in human movement. As an interdisciplinary reference volume for biomechanists, exercise physiologists, motor behaviorists, athletic trainers, therapists, kinesiologists, and students, Biomechanics and Biology of Movement offers an in-depth understanding and appreciation of the many factors comprising and affecting human movement. In addition, it will give you the insights and information you require to address and resolve individual performance problems."--BOOK JACKET.

Biomechanics and Biology of Movement

Covers the field of EAP with attention to all aspects and full infrastructure, including the available materials, analytical models, processing techniques, and characterization methods. This second edition covers advances in EAP in electric EAP, electroactive polymer gels, ionomeric polymer-metal composites, and carbon nanotube actuators.

Electroactive Polymer (EAP) Actuators as Artificial Muscles

Dynamic Modeling of Musculoskeletal Motion introduces biomechanists to modern methods of modeling and analyzing dynamic biomechanical systems in three dimensions. Using vector kinematics, the reader is taught a systematic method which significantly reduces the complexity of working with multiple, moving limb segments in three dimensions. Operations which usually require the application of differential calculus are replaced by simple algebraic formulae. To derive dynamical equations of

motion, a practical introduction to Kane's Method is given. Kane's Method builds upon the foundation of vector kinematics and represents one of the most exciting theoretical developments of the modern era. Together, these techniques enable biomechanists to decipher and model living systems with great realism, efficiency and accuracy. Interwoven with the theoretical presentation are chapters and examples which highlight the subtle differences between inanimate linkages and the biomechanical systems we seek to understand.

Dynamic Modeling of Musculoskeletal Motion

The cardiac system represents one of the most exciting challenges to human ingenuity. Critical to our survival, it consists of a tantalizing array of interacting phenomena, from ionic microscopic transport, membrane channels and receptors through cellular metabolism, energy production to fiber mechanics, microcirculation, electrical activation to the global, clinically observed, function, which is measured by pressure, volume, coronary flow, heart rate, shape changes and responds to imposed loads and pharmaceutical challenges. It is a complex interdisciplinary system requiring the joint efforts of the life sciences, the exact sciences, engineering and technology to understand and control the pathologies involved. The Henry Goldberg Workshops were set up to address these challenges. Briefly, our goals are: 1. To foster interdisciplinary interaction between scientists from different areas of cardiology, identify missing links, and catalyze new questions. 2. To relate micro scale cellular phenomena to the global, clinically manifested cardiac function. 3. To relate conceptual modeling and quantitative analysis to experimental and clinical data. 4. To encourage international cooperation so as to disperse medical and technological know how and lead to better understanding of the cardiac system. Today we celebrate the 7th birthday of a dream come true; a dream to bring together the diversified expertise in the various fields of science, engineering and medicine, to relate to the numerous interactive parameters and disciplines involved in the performance of the heart.

Proceedings of the First Interdisciplinary Chess Interactions Conference

Elastic filaments refer mainly to titin, the largest of all known proteins. Titin was discovered initially in muscle cells, where it interconnects the thick filament with the Z-line. Titin forms a molecular spring that is responsible for maintaining the structural integrity of contracting muscle, ensuring efficient muscle contraction. More recently, it has become clear that titin is not restricted to muscle cells alone. For example, titin is found in chromosomes of neurons and also in blood platelets. This topic is fast becoming a focal point for research in understanding viscoelastic properties at the molecular, cellular, and tissue levels. In titin may lie a generic basis for biological viscoelasticity. It has become clear that titin may hold the key to certain clinical anomalies. For example, it is clear that titin-based ventricular stiffness is modulated by calcium and that titin is responsible for the altered stiffness in cardiomyopathies. It is also clear from evidence from a group of Finnish families that titin mutations may underlie some muscular dystrophies and that with other mutations chromatids fail to separate during mitosis. Thus, it is clear that this protein will have important clinical implications stemming from its biomechanical role. One aspect of this field is the bringing together of bioengineers with clinical researchers and biologists. Genetic and biochemical aspects of titin-related proteins are being studied together with front-line engineering approaches designed to measure the mechanics of titin either in small aggregates or in single molecules.

Cardiac Electrophysiology, Circulation, and Transport

Volume 3 of Structure of Antigens presents analytical methods used to elucidate the structure of antigens. As in the first two volumes, this reference focuses on the structure and analysis of antibody binding sites. It brings together the structural basis of major types of antigens, including lysozyme, cytochrome c, muscle proteins, cereal and milk proteins, carbohydrate antigens, and more. Major groups of antigens associated with particular biological systems, such as the cytoskeleton, muscle proteins, and viral antigens, are discussed. This reference analyzes the molecular basis of antibody specificity and the structure of T cell epitopes.

Elastic Filaments of the Cell

Understanding Mammalian Locomotion will formally introduce the emerging perspective of collision dynamics in mammalian terrestrial locomotion and explain how it influences the interpretation of form and functional capabilities. The objective is to bring the reader interested in the function and

mechanics of mammalian terrestrial locomotion to a sophisticated conceptual understanding of the relevant mechanics and the current debate ongoing in the field.

Structure of Antigens

Dieses Teilgebiet der Biomechanik ist für Sportwissenschaftler und Physiologen von großer Bedeutung! Die umfassende, aktuelle Abhandlung der Skelettmuskelmechanik beschäftigt sich mit drei Themenkreisen: den Mechanismen der Skelettmuskelkontraktion, der Muskelfunktion in vivo und theoretischen Modellen der Muskelfunktion. Auch ein knapper historischer Abriss und ein Ausblick auf noch offene Fragen fehlen nicht. (08/00)

Understanding Mammalian Locomotion

The objective of this book is to provide the researcher and clinician with the recent developments in the analysis and assessment of cardiovascular function. The chapters are organized into sections that correspond with the various anatomical levels of the cardiovascular system. To a large extent, recent focus on the cardiovascular system function has been directed at the molecular level to the near exclusion of the tissue and organ function. While this may be useful in developing new therapeutic drugs, it does not aid the cardiologist or surgeon, who routinely deal with patient symptoms. This book integrates the micro-level and organ-level function so that new information may be assimilated into the cardiovascular system as a whole. Within each section, the chapters have been arranged to progress from recent theoretical developments, to experimental research, and finally to clinical applications. This approach facilitates the timely transfer of information from basic research to the clinic. The strength of the analytical approach will be evident to the reader. The theoretical analysis offers guidance to experimental design and, in some cases, offers solutions where measurements are as yet unattainable. In moving from newly attained knowledge to clinical practice, this book emphasizes the noninvasive method in the future as technological advances occur and the trend towards early preventive diagnosis is sought. What follows are highlights of new developments covered in each section of the book.

Skeletal Muscle Mechanics

The fourth edition of this highly successful text has been extensively revised and restructured to take account of the many recent advances in the subject and bring it right up to date. The classic observations of recent years can now be interpreted with the powerful new techniques of molecular biology. Consequently there is much new material throughout the book, including many new illustrations and extensive references to recent work. Its essential philosophy remains the same, though: fundamental concepts are clearly explained, and key experiments are examined in some detail. This textbook will be used by students of physiology, neuroscience, cell biology and biophysics. Specializing undergraduates and graduates as well as lecturers and researchers will find the text thorough and clearly written.

Muscles, Molecules and Movement

The present E-book, consisting of a compilation of original articles and reviews, presents how myofilaments are regulated in cardiac and skeletal muscles and trigger contraction. Additionally, this E-book gives insights into their dysregulation in a number of muscle disorders.

Analysis and Assessment of Cardiovascular Function

The Third International Symposium on Excitation-Contraction Coupling in Skeletal, Cardiac, and Smooth Muscle, organized by George Frank, C. Paul Bianchi, and Henk E. D.J. ter Keurs, was held in Banff Centre, Banff, Alberta, Canada during June 26 to June 30, 1991. The theme of these symposia has been to recognize the similarities and dissimilarities of excitation-contraction coupling in skeletal, cardiac, and smooth muscle. Cross fertilization of concepts of excitation-contraction coupling in these three types of muscle has occurred since the early studies in the late fifties and early sixties on skeletal muscle. Investigators in each field meet only at specialized symposia which exclude investigators in the other fields. The purpose of the symposia has been to bring together international investigators studying excitation-contraction coupling in skeletal, cardiac, and smooth muscle so that we may learn from each other and hence provide a more global concept of excitation-contraction. The Third International Symposia has accomplished its objective as we recognize that calcium channels of the sarcolemma and the sarcoplasmic reticulum play key essential roles in excitation-contraction coupling.

in all three types of muscles. In skeletal muscle the recognition that E-C coupling consists of two parallel mechanisms, one dependent upon a dihydropyridine voltage-sensitive sensors coupled to calcium release from the terminal cisternae via the ryanodine sensitive channel in the foot structure of the triad.

The Physiology of Excitable Cells

The book also aims to stimulate innovative, productive interactions among materials scientists, engineers, and biologists, and to explore ways in which materials scientists and engineers can exploit biological principles and biological assemblies to produce new and ever smaller devices.

Myofilament Function in Health and Disease

Poultry Products Processing: An Industry Guide covers all major aspects of the modern poultry further processing industry. The author provides a comprehensive guide to the many steps involved in converting poultry muscle (chicken, turkey, duck, ratite, etc.) into meat and highlights the critical points required to assure high quality and safe product manufacturing. The book opens with an overview of the poultry industry and then discusses poultry anatomy and muscle biology as they relate to meat quality and potential problems associated with further processing. Several chapters are devoted to meat product formulations (including numerous recipes), processing equipment, and principles of equipment operation. A separate chapter is devoted to the growing field of battering and breading poultry products, such as chicken nuggets, with many illustrations of equipment operation, discussions of the various breading employed, and trouble shooting. Another section focuses on food safety, microbiology, sanitation methods, and HACCP, including models for primary and further processing. Material on meat color, color defects, flavor, and sensory analysis is also included to help the reader understand factors affecting the challenges and problems the industry faces when marketing poultry products.

Excitation-Contraction Coupling in Skeletal, Cardiac, and Smooth Muscle

Improve your flexibility and reach your athletic potential. Sport Stretch shows you how with stretching programs for 41 sports.

Nanofabrication and Biosystems

Scyphozoa have attracted the attention of many types of people. Naturalists watch their graceful locomotion. Fishermen may dread the swarms which can prevent fishing or eat larval fish. Bathers retreat from the water if they are stung. People from some Asiatic countries eat the medusae. Comparative physiologists examine them as possibly simple models for the functioning of various systems. This book integrates data from those and other investigations into a functional biology of scyphozoa. It will emphasize the wide range of adaptive responses possible in these morphologically relatively simple animals. The book will concentrate on the research of the last 35 years, partly because there has been a rapid expansion of knowledge during that period, and partly because much of the previous work was summarized by books published between 1961 and 1970. Bibliographies of papers on scyphozoa were included in Mayer (1910) and Kramp (1961). Taxonomic diagnoses are also included in those monographs, as well as in a monograph on the scyphomedusae of the USSR published by Naumov (Naumov, 1961). Most importantly, a generation of scyphozoan workers has used as its 'bible' the monograph by F.S. Russell (1970) *The Medusae of the British Isles*. In spite of its restrictive title, his book reviews most of the information on the biology of scyphozoa up to that date.

Poultry Products Processing

This volume presents the entire proceedings of the symposium organized by one of us (H. S.) on November 11 to 15, 1991 at Hakone, Japan, under the title of "Mechanism of Myofilament Sliding in Muscle Contraction. " Among various kinds of energy transduction mechanisms in biological systems, the mechanism of muscle contraction has been studied most intensively and extensively over many years. Since the monumental discovery by the two Huxleys and coworkers that muscle contraction results from relative sliding between the thick and thin myofilaments, attention of muscle investigators has been focused on the question, what makes the filaments slide past one another. In response to the above question, A. F. Huxley and Simmons put forward a contraction model in 1971, in which globular heads of myosin (cross-bridges) extending from the thick filament first attach to actin on the thin filament, and then change their angle of attachment to actin (power stroke) leading to force generation

or myofilament sliding until they detach from the thin filament. The rocking cross-bridge contraction model seemed to be entirely consistent with the kinetic scheme of actomyosin ATPase published by Lymn and Taylor at the same time, thus giving a strong impression to the people concerned that the muscle contraction mechanism would soon be sorted out. In his review lecture in 1974, however, A. F.

Sport Stretch

By the dawn of the new millennium, robotics has undergone a major transformation in scope and dimensions. This expansion has been brought about by the maturity of the field and the advances in its related technologies. From a largely dominant industrial focus, robotics has been rapidly expanding into the challenges of the human world. The new generation of robots is expected to safely and dependably co-habitat with humans in homes, workplaces, and communities, providing support in services, entertainment, education, health care, manufacturing, and assistance. Beyond its impact on physical robots, the body of knowledge robotics has produced is revealing a much wider range of applications reaching across - verse research areas and scientific disciplines, such as: biomechanics, haptics, neurosciences, virtual simulation, animation, surgery, and sensor networks among others. In return, the challenges of the new emerging areas are providing an abundant source of stimulation and insights for the field of robotics. It is indeed at the intersection of disciplines that the most striking advances happen. The goal of the series of Springer Tracts in Advanced Robotics (STAR) is to bring, in a timely fashion, the latest advances and developments in robotics on the basis of their significance and quality. It is our hope that the wider dissemination of research developments will stimulate more exchanges and collaborations among the research community and contribute to further advancement of this rapidly growing field.

A Functional Biology of Scyphozoa

First multi-year cumulation covers six years: 1965-70.

Mechanism of Myofilament Sliding in Muscle Contraction

Applied Exercise & Sport Physiology, Fourth Edition, presents theory and application in an appealing, balanced, and manageable format. By providing an essential introduction to the systems of the human body and covering important aspects of exercise and sport physiology, it will be a useful resource for students as they learn to become exercise science professionals, physician's assistants, physical therapists, physical educators, or coaches. It provides the right amount of practical information they will need to apply in hospitals, clinics, schools, and settings such as health clubs, youth sport leagues, and similar environments. The authors have carefully designed the material to be covered easily in one semester, in an introductory course, but the book can also serve as a foundation for advanced courses. Its 18 lab experiences are matched to relevant chapters and complement the topics covered; they allow readers to apply physiological principles to exercise and sport, provide opportunities for hands-on learning and application of the scientific principles, and often don't require complex equipment.

National Library of Medicine Current Catalog

This book describes the evolution of ideas relating to the mechanism of muscular contraction since the discovery of sliding filaments in 1954. An amazing variety of experimental techniques have been employed to investigate the mechanism of muscular contraction and relaxation. Some background of these various techniques is presented in order to gain a fuller appreciation of their strengths and weaknesses. Controversies in the muscle field are discussed along with some missed opportunities and false trails. The pathway to ATP and the high energy phosphate bond will be discussed, as well as the discovery of myosin, contraction coupling and the emergence of cell and molecular biology in the muscle field. Numerous figures from original papers are also included for readers to see the data that led to important conclusions. This book is published on behalf of the American Physiological Society by Springer. Access to APS books published with Springer is free to APS members.

Electroactive Polymer Gel Robots

Biomechanics is a component of Encyclopedia of Physical Sciences, Engineering and Technology Resources in the global Encyclopedia of Life Support Systems (EOLSS), which is an integrated compendium of twenty one Encyclopedias. The enormous progress in the field of health sciences that has been achieved in the 19th and 20th centuries would have not been possible without the

enabling interaction and support of sophisticated technologies that progressively gave rise to a new interdisciplinary field named alternatively as bioengineering or biomedical engineering. Although both terms are synonymous, the latter is less general since it limits the field of application to medicine and clinical practice, while the former covers semantically the whole field of interaction between life sciences and engineering, thus including also applications in biology, biochemistry or the many '-omics'. We use in this book the second, with more general meaning, recalling the very important relation between fundamental science and engineering. And this also recognizes the tremendous economic and social impacts of direct application of engineering in medicine that maintains the health industry as one with the fastest growth in the world economy. Biomechanics, in particular, aims to explain and predict the mechanics of the different components of living beings, from molecules to organisms as well as to design, manufacture and use of any artificial device that interacts with the mechanics of living beings. It helps, therefore, to understand how living systems move, to characterize the interaction between forces and deformation along all spatial scales, to analyze the interaction between structural behavior and microstructure, with the very important particularity of dealing with adaptive systems, able to adapt their internal structure, size and geometry to the particular mechanical environment in which they develop their activity, to understand and predict alterations in the mechanical function due to injuries, diseases or pathologies and, finally, to propose methods of artificial intervention for functional diagnosis or recovery. Biomechanics is today a very highly interdisciplinary subject that attracts the attention of engineers, mathematicians, physicists, chemists, material specialists, biologists, medical doctors, etc. They work in many different topics from a purely scientific objective to industrial applications and with an increasing arsenal of sophisticated modeling and experimental tools but always with the final objectives of better understanding the fundamentals of life and improve the quality of life of human beings. One purpose in this volume has been to present an overview of some of these many possible subjects in a self-contained way for a general audience. This volume is aimed at the following major target audiences: University and College Students, Educators, Professional Practitioners, and Research Personnel.

Current Catalog

Sliding Filament Mechanism in Muscle Contraction: Fifty Years of Research covers the history of the sliding filament mechanism in muscle contraction from its discovery in 1954 by H.E. Huxley through and including modern day research. Chapters include topics in dynamic X-ray diffraction, electron microscopy, muscle mechanisms, in-vitro motility assay, cardiac versus smooth muscle, motile systems, and much more.

Applied Exercise and Sport Physiology, With Labs

Muscle contraction has been the focus of scientific investigation for more than two centuries, and major discoveries have changed the field over the years. Early in the twentieth century, Fenn (1924, 1923) showed that the total energy liberated during a contraction (heat + work) was increased when the muscle was allowed to shorten and perform work. The result implied that chemical reactions during contractions were load-dependent. The observation underlying the “Fenn effect” was taken to a greater extent when Hill (1938) published a pivotal study showing in details the relation between heat production and the amount of muscle shortening, providing investigators with the force-velocity relation for skeletal muscles. Subsequently, two papers paved the way for the current paradigm in the field of muscle contraction. Huxley and Niedergerke (1954), and Huxley and Hanson (1954) showed that the width of the A-bands did not change during muscle stretch or activation. Contraction, previously believed to be caused by shortening of muscle filaments, was associated with sliding of the thick and thin filaments. These studies were followed by the classic paper by Huxley (1957), in which he conceptualized for the first time the cross-bridge theory; filament sliding was driven by the cyclical interactions of myosin heads (cross-bridges) with actin. The original cross-bridge theory has been revised over the years but the basic features have remained mostly intact. It now influences studies performed with molecular motors responsible for tasks as diverse as muscle contraction, cell division and vesicle transport.

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Muscles, Molecules and Movement

The purpose of the book is to give a survey of the physics that is relevant for biological applications, and also to discuss what kind of biology needs physics. The book gives a broad account of basic physics, relevant for the applications and various applications from properties of proteins to processes in the cell to wider themes such as the brain, the origin of life and evolution. It also considers general questions of common interest such as reductionism, determinism and randomness, where the physics view often is misunderstood. The subtle balance between order and disorder is a repeated theme appearing in many contexts. There are descriptive parts which shall be sufficient for the comprehension of general ideas, and more detailed, formalistic parts for those who want to go deeper, and see the ideas expressed in terms of mathematical formulas. - Describes how physics is needed for understanding basic principles of biology - Discusses the delicate balance between order and disorder in living systems - Explores how physics play a role high biological functions, such as learning and thinking

Muscles, Molecules and Movement

Biomechanics in Sport is a unique reference text prepared by the leading world experts in sport biomechanics. Over thirty chapters cover a broad spectrum of topics, ranging from muscle mechanics to injury prevention, and from aerial movement to wheelchair sport. The biomechanics of sports including running, skating, skiing, swimming, jumping in athletics, figure skating, ski jumping, diving, javelin and hammer throwing, shot putting, and striking movements are all explained.

Biomechanics

Detailing up-to-date research technologies and approaches, Research Methods in Biomechanics, Second Edition, assists both beginning and experienced researchers in developing methods for analyzing and quantifying human movement.

Sliding Filament Mechanism in Muscle Contraction

In this issue: From the Editors - Hazardous Virus Gene Discovered in GM Crops after 20 Years Freeing the World from GMOs Potentially Dangerous Virus Gene Hidden in Commercial GM Crops GM Antibiotic Resistance in China's Rivers Saving Water Water Not Fit to Drink Using Water Sustainably How Farmers Can Protect Water Quality, Replenish Aquifers & Save the Soil Illicit Drugs in Drinking Water Colours of Water Programme ISIS commentary Liberating Science & Imagination Health Watch Fructose & Overeating – Fuelling the Obesity Epidemic Technology Watch Fracking for Shale Gas ISIS Lecture Life is Water Electric Part I Electrodynamical Life-Field & Body Electric Part II Quantum Coherent Liquid Crystalline Water is Life-Field & Body Electric

Muscle Biophysics

Myosins are a diverse superfamily of molecular motor proteins, which share the ability to reversibly bind actin and hydrolyse MgATP. They are capable of either translocating actin filaments or translocating vesicles or other cargo on fixed actin filaments. There are currently 15 distinct classes in the myosins superfamily, based on sequence homology. Myosin II and myosin I proteins are familiar and well studied; while Classes III-XV are less well characterized. All myosins examined to date are multimeric and appear to possess at least three functional domains, a head, neck, and tail. Myosins (second edition) explores the structure and functional properties of myosins, their regulation, and mutational analysis. It has been thoroughly updated since the first edition was published in 1995 including sections on the

three additional classes defined by new sequences, information provided by the crystal structure of seven new Dicytostelium motor domains, and data from new techniques such as molecular imaging and tagging proteins with GFP 20. The three human diseases that are now known to be linked to mutations in different myosin heavy or light chains are also covered, including more than 50 mutations associated with hypertrophic cardiomyopathy.

Muscle Biophysics

Physics of Life