

PLANT ~ PART 4

TRANSPIRATION

TRANSPIRATION-COHESION-TENSION MECHANISM

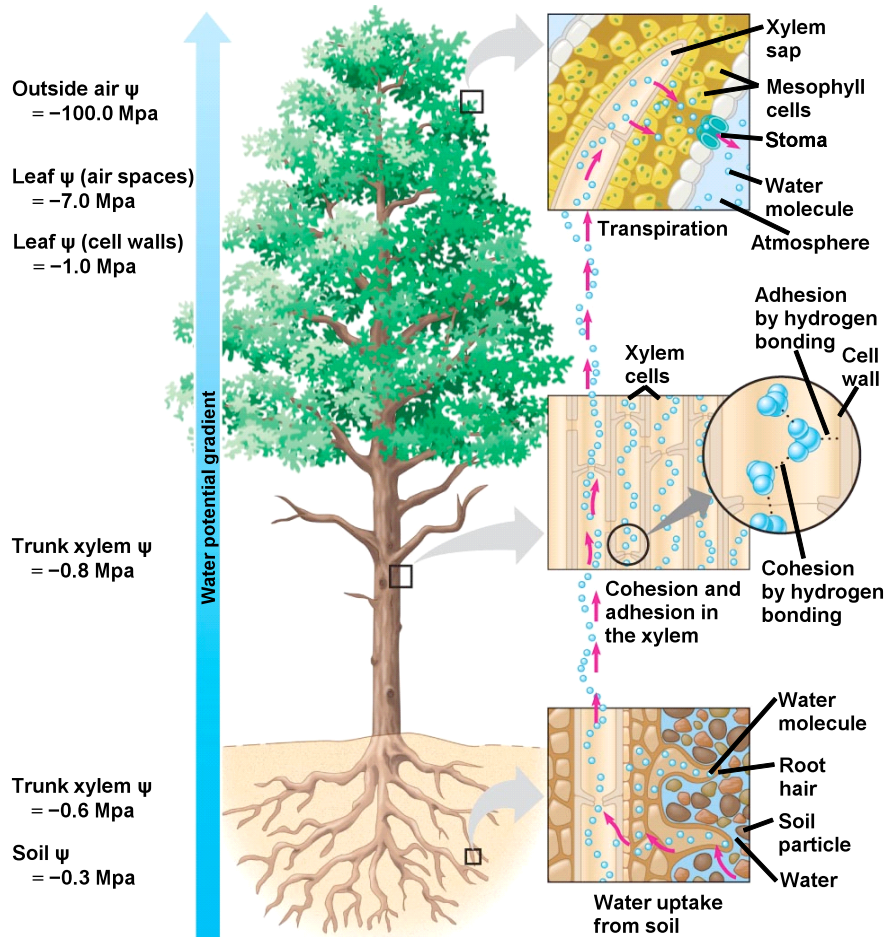
- Water is pulled upward by _____ pressure in the xylem
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- Water vapor in the airspaces of a leaf diffuses _____ its water potential gradient and exits the leaf via _____
 - Transpiration produces _____ pressure (tension) in the leaf, which exerts a pulling force on water in the xylem, pulling water into the leaf
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- The _____ on xylem sap is transmitted all the way from the leaves to the root tips and even into the soil solution
- Transpirational pull is facilitated by _____ of water molecules to each other and _____ of water molecules to cell walls

Transpiration-Cohesion-Tension Mechanism

Fig. 36-15



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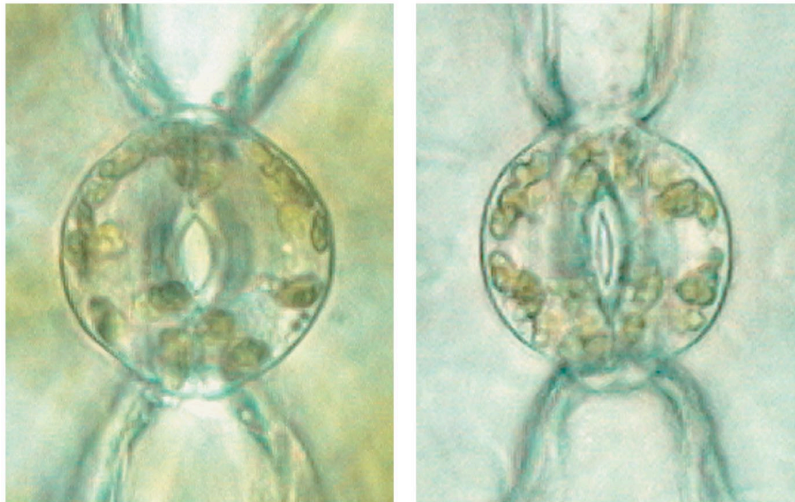
- The movement of xylem sap against gravity is maintained by the transpiration-cohesion-tension mechanism
- Transpiration _____ water potential in leaves, and this generates negative pressure (tension) that _____ water up through the _____
- There is no energy cost to bulk flow of xylem sap

- At night, when transpiration is very low, root cells continue pumping mineral ions into the xylem of the vascular cylinder, lowering the water potential
- Water flows in from the root cortex, generating **root pressure**
- Results in guttation →



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What helps to regulate transpiration?

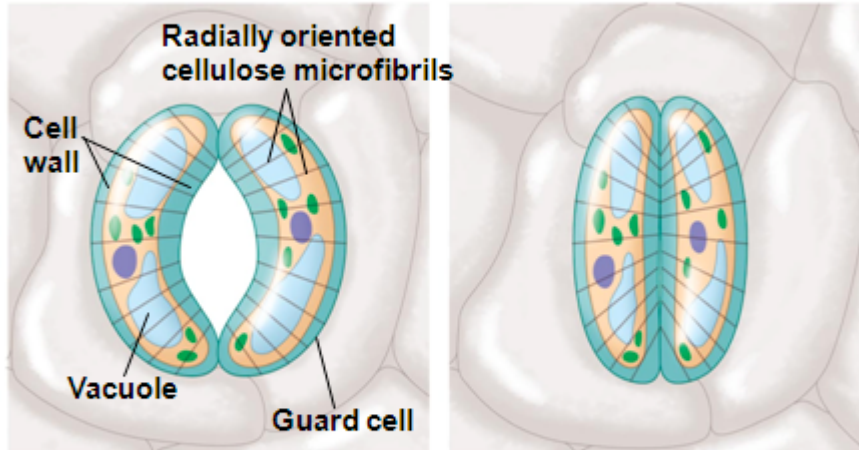


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Mechanisms of stomatal opening and closing

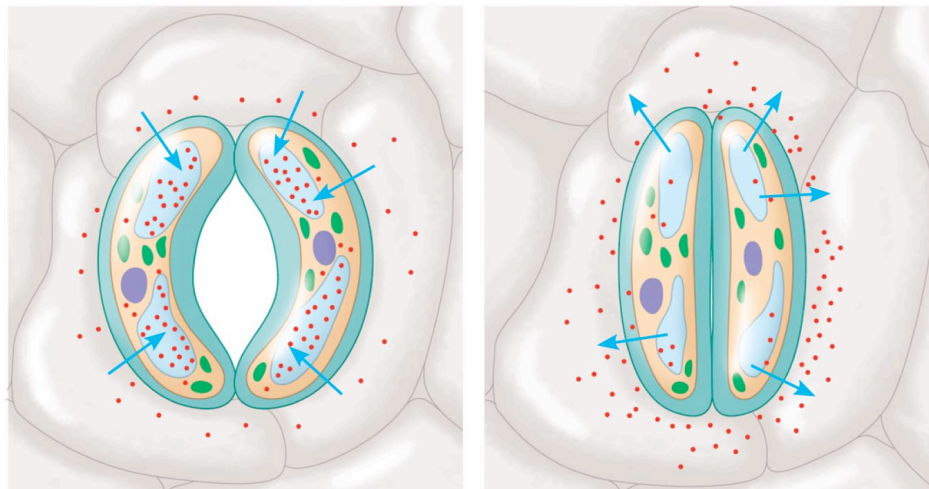
Fig. 36-17a

Guard cells turgid/Stoma open Guard cells flaccid/Stoma closed



(a) Changes in guard cell shape and stomatal opening and closing (surface view)

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Role of potassium in stomatal opening and closing

Stimuli for opening and closing stomata:

- Generally, stomata open during the _____ and close at _____ to minimize water loss
- Stomatal opening at dawn is triggered by _____, _____, and an internal “clock” in guard cells
- All eukaryotic organisms have internal clocks; _____ **rhythms** are 24-hour cycles