

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN BOHR'S AND HALDANE'S EFFECT

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Haldane effects: Oxyhaemoglobin acts as strong acid, so oxyhaemoglobin is formed in the lungs, it releases more H⁺ ions which decreases pH value of the blood and increases acidity. The released H⁺ ions combine with HCO₃⁻ forming H₂CO₃ which soon dissociates into CO₂ and H₂O in presence of carbonic anhydrase.

HALDANE EFFECT:

- The Haldane effect is a physicochemical phenomenon which describes the increased capacity

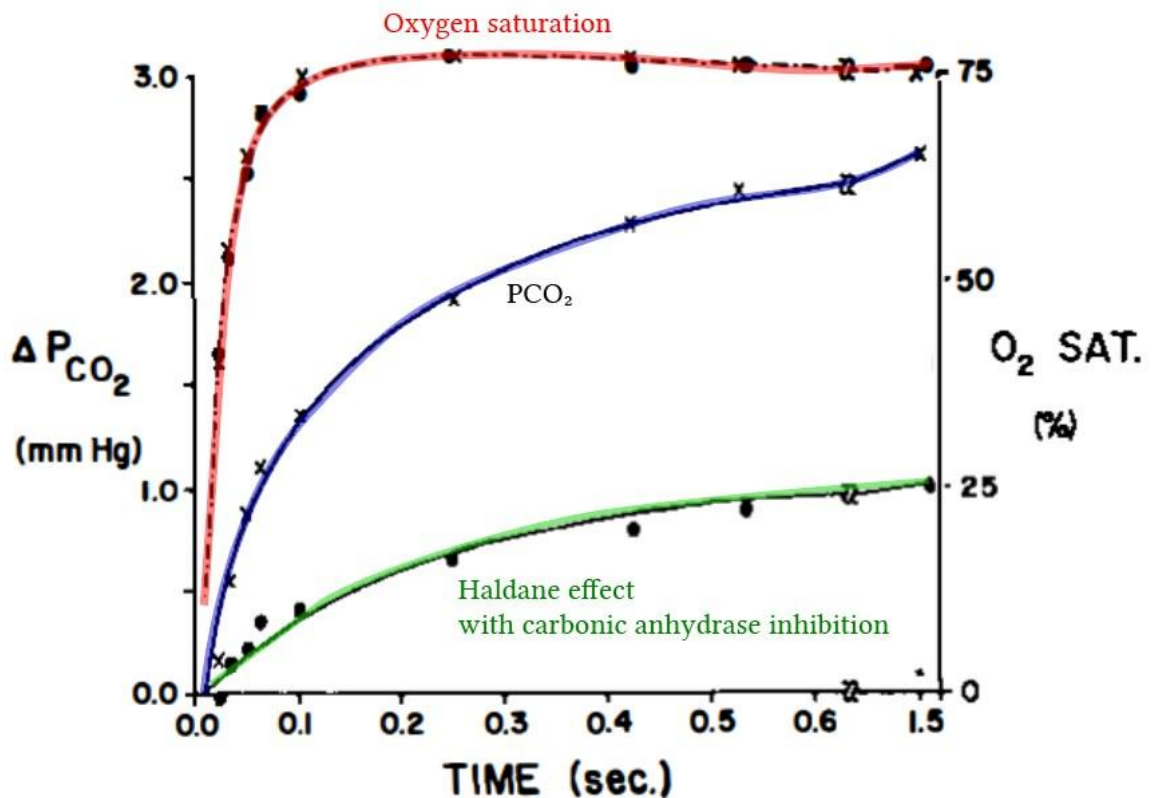
of blood to carry CO₂ under conditions of decreased haemoglobin oxygen saturation

- Both Haldane and Bohr effects are the same features of the same phenomenon
- Haldane effect is what happens to pH and CO₂ binding because of oxygen, and Bohr effect is what happens to oxygen binding because of CO₂ and lower pH.
- More CO₂ binds to haemoglobin at lower oxygen saturation
- This effect facilitates the removal of CO₂ from the tissues
- Bound CO₂ is released from haemoglobin when it becomes oxygenated.
- This "reverse Haldane effect" facilitates the elimination of CO₂.
- There are two mechanisms:
- Deoxygenated haemoglobin has a higher affinity for CO₂
- This is due to the allosteric modulation of CO₂-binding sites by the oxygenated haem.
- The buffering capacity of deoxygenated haemoglobin is increased.

- Reduced (deoxygenated) haemoglobin becomes more basic.
- This increases the pH of the RBC cytosol
- With an increased pH, more carbonic acid may dissociate into bicarbonate
- Thus, the total amount of CO₂ carried as bicarbonate is increased
- Compared to the carriage of CO₂ by deoxyhaemoglobin, this part of the Haldane effect plays a minor role.

Haldane vs Bohr Effect

- The Haldane effect describes how **oxygen** concentrations determine hemoglobin's affinity for carbon dioxide.
 - **H** - emoglobins
 - **A** - ffinity
 - **D**ane - Carbon **D**ioxide
- The Bohr effect, on the other hand, describes how **carbon dioxide and H⁺** affect hemoglobin's affinity for oxygen.
 - **B**
 - **O** - xygen
 - **H** - ydrogen
 - **R** - eleased in tissue



BOHR EFFECT:

1. **The Bohr effect** describes the decrease in the oxygen affinity of haemoglobin in the presence of low pH or high CO₂.
2. pH and CO₂ both have effects on the haemoglobin tetramer. (EACH ALPHA CHAIN=141X2 AND EACH BETA CHAIN =146X2=574 aminoacid).
3. At a low pH, the histidine residues on one haemoglobin dimer become protonated, which permits the formation of a "salt bridge" between dimers.
4. The formation of this bond stabilises the deoxygenated T-state.
5. The bond cannot form at a higher Ph.
6. At a high CO₂, CO₂ binds to terminal amino groups and forms negatively charged carbamate groups.
7. These carbamate groups also stabilise the deoxygenated T-state of the haemoglobin tetramer by forming bonds with the positively charged amino groups on the opposite dimer.
8. Thus, both pH and CO₂ stabilise the deoxyhaemoglobin molecule and decrease its affinity for oxygen, which facilitates the release of oxygen in the peripheral tissues.

9. Quantitatively, the changes in pH play a greater role in changing the shape of the oxygen-haemoglobin dissociation curve than do the changes in CO₂.

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