

Figure 6-2

(b) Neurotransmitters

(c) Neurohormones

Figure 6-3


Figure 6-4, overview


Figure 6-5


| Receptor- <br> channel |
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Receptor-enzyme
G protein-coupled receptor Integrin receptor

Figure 6-6

Signal transduction converts one form of signal into a different form.


Figure 6-7


Figure 6-8



Figure 6-10


Figure 6-11


Figure 6-13


Figure 6-14


Figure 6-15


Figure 6-17


Figure 6-18



Figure 6-20, overview


Figure 6-21, overview


Figure 6-24, overview


Figure 6-25, overview


Figure 6-26


Figure 6-27

(a) Negative feedback

(b) Positive feedback

Figure 6-28


Figure 6-30, overview


Figure 6-31, overview


Table 6-4

## TABLE 6-4 Comparison of Neural and Endocrine Control

| PROPERTY | NEURAL REFLEX | ENDOCRINE REFLEX |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Specificity | Each neuron terminates on a single target <br> cell or on a limited number of adjacent tar- <br> get cells. | Most cells of the body are exposed to a hor- <br> mone. The response depends on which cells <br> have receptors for the hormone. |
| Nature of the signal | Electrical signal passes through neuron, then <br> chemical neurotransmitters pass the signal <br> from cell to cell. In a few cases, signals <br> pass cell-to-cell through gap junctions. | Chemical signals are secreted in the blood <br> for distribution throughout the body. |
| Speed | Very rapid. | Distribution of the signal and onset of action <br> are much slower than in neural responses. |
| Duration of action | Use mediated by neuromodulators. | Duration of action is usually much longer <br> aren in neural responses. |
| Coding for stimulus intensity |  |  |
| Each signal is identical in strength. Stimulus |  |  |
| intensity is correlated with increased fre- |  |  |
| quency of signaling. |  |  |$\quad$| Stimulus intensity is correlated with amount |
| :--- |
| of hormone secreted. |

Table 6-5

| TABLE 6-5 | Comparison of Neural, Neuroendocrine, and Endocrine Reflexes |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sensor or receptor | NEURAL | Special and somatic sensory <br> receptors | SpUROENDOCRINE <br> Special and somatic sensory re- <br> ceptors | Endocrine cell |
| Afferent pathway | Afferent sensory neuron | Afferent sensory neuron | None |  |
| Integrating center | Brain or spinal cord | Brain or spinal cord | Endocrine cell |  |
| Efferent pathway | Efferent neuron (electrical <br> signal and neurotransmitter) | Efferent neuron (electrical signal and <br> neurohormone) | Hormone |  |
| Effector(s) | Muscles and glands, some <br> adipose tissue | Most cells of the body | Most cells of the body |  |

