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TABLE 8-2		Ion Concentrations and Equilibrium Potentials		
ION	EXTRACELL	ULAR FLUID (mM)	INTRACELLULAR FLUID (mM)	E <sub>ion</sub> AT 37° C
K <sup>+</sup>	5 mM (norr	mal range: 3.5–5)	150 mM	−90 mV
Na <sup>+</sup>	145 mM (n	ormal range: 135–145)	15 mM	+60 mV
CI-	108 mM (n	ormal range: 100–108)	10 mM (range: 5–15)	-63 mV
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	1 mM		0.0001 mM	see Concept Check question 6

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## Table 8-3

TABLE 8-3 Comparison of Graded Potential and Action Potential in Neurons				
	GRADED POTENTIAL	ACTION POTENTIAL		
Type of signal	Input signal	Regenerating conduction signal		
Occurs where?	Usually dendrites and cell body	Trigger zone through axon		
Types of gated ion channels involved	Mechanically, chemically, or voltage-gated channels	Voltage-gated channels		
Ions involved	Usually Na <sup>+</sup> , Cl <sup>-</sup> , Ca <sup>2+</sup>	Na <sup>+</sup> and K <sup>+</sup>		
Type of signal	Depolarizing (e.g., Na <sup>+</sup> ) or hyperpolarizing (e.g., Cl <sup>-</sup> )	Depolarizing		
Strength of signal	Depends on initial stimulus; can be summed	All-or-none phenomenon; cannot be summed		
What initiates the signal?	Entry of ions through channels	Above-threshold graded potential at the trigger zone		
Unique characteristics	No minimum level required to initiate	Threshold stimulus required to initiate		
	Two signals coming close together in time will sum	Refractory period: two signals too close together in time cannot sum		
	Initial stimulus strength is indicated by frequency of a series of action potentials			

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