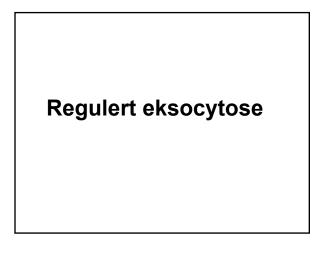
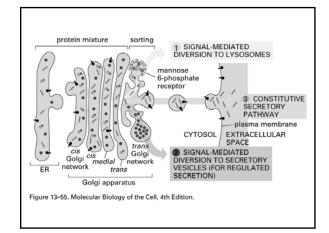
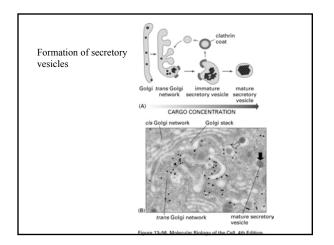
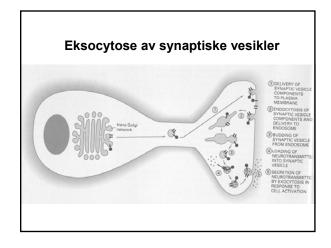


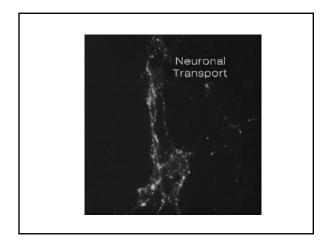
Botox produces temporary chemical denervation by blocking the presynaptic release of acetylcholine (Ach) at the neuromuscular junction (NMJ).[4] Botox binds irreversibly to presynaptic cholinergic neuroreceptors, which sets in motion a cascade of events leading to Botox endocytosis. Once in the cytoplasm, a subunit of botulinum toxin (light chain) facilitates the zinc-dependent enzymatic cleavage of a synaptosomal associated membrane protein (SNAP-25).[5][6] SNAP-25 is one of several proteins required for Ach exocytosis and release into the NMJ. Thus, by inactivating SNAP-25, Ach release into the NMJ is prevented and local neuromuscular transmission interrupted. The ensuing localized paralysis typically takes 24 to 48 hours to become fully effective, which reflects the time needed for cellular metabolism of the toxin. In some cases, several days may pass before local paralysis is complete. The localized effects of standard Botox injections last for 90 days.

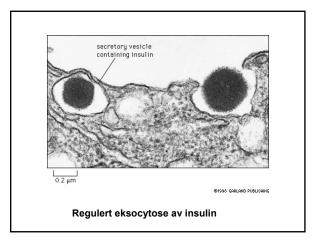


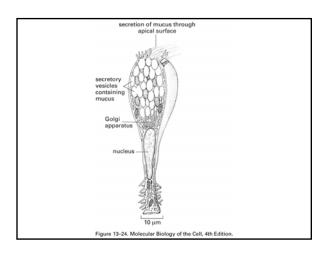


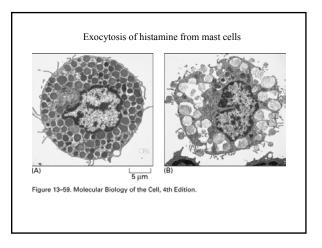


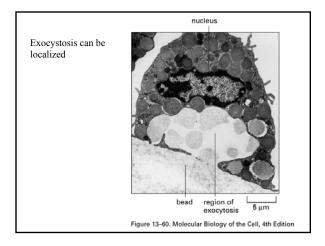


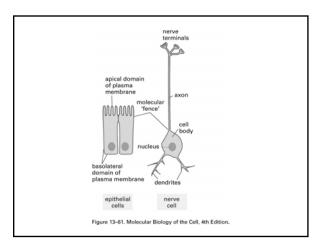


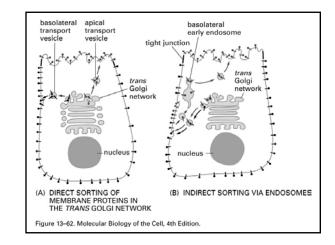


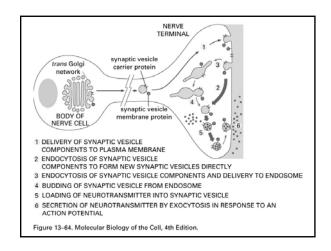


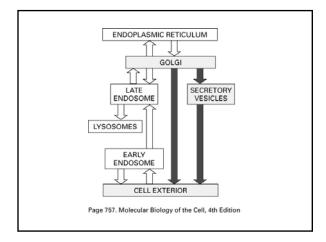


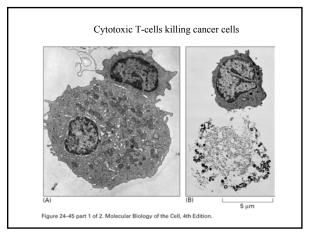


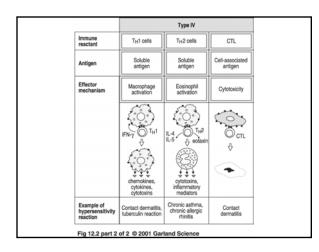


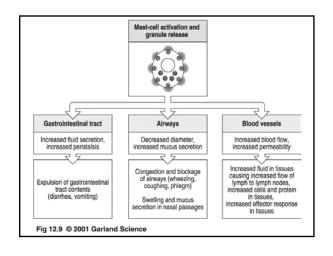












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