EXPERIMENTAL DETERMINATION OF Kd

TECH. THAT DO NOT REQUIRE SEPARATION OF BOUND FROM FREE LIGAND

- Equilibrium dialysis Place M in a dialysis bag and dialyse against a solution containing a ligand whose concentration can be determined using radioisotopic or spectroscopic techniques.
- Fluorescence spectroscopy Find a ligand whose absorbance or fluorescence spectra changes when bound to M. Alternatively, monitor a group on M whose absorbance or fluorescence spectra changes when bound to L.
- ITC Isothermal Titration Calorimetry Measure small, incremental heats (Δq) of reaction during binding titration. Obtain ΔH, n and Keq, then calc ΔG and ΔS.
- Kinetic (higher tech) methods: SPR – Surface Plasmon Resonance Kon / Koff Fast Kinetics – rate constants

Binding - SPR or BIA

"The secret of life is molecular recognition"

"Binding is the first step necessary for a biological response"

Biacore's SPR technology: label-free technology for monitoring biomolecular interactions as they occur.

The detection principle relies on surface plasmon resonance (SPR), an electron charge density wave phenomenon that arises at the surface of a metallic film when light is reflected at the film under specific conditions.

The resonance is a result of energy and momentum being *transformed* from incident photons into surface plasmons, and is sensitive to the refractive index of the medium on the opposite side of the film from the reflected light.

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Note: Many of these figures/notes were taken from on-line resources from Biacore

The actual SPR signal can be explained by the electromagnetic 'coupling' of the incident light with the surface plasmon of the gold layer. This plasmon can be influenced by the layer just a few nanometer across the gold-solution interface, i.e. the bait protein and possibly the prey protein. Binding makes the reflection angle change. Gold film

Distance from solid/solution interface (nm)

Gold film Solution

SPR - The need for Gold

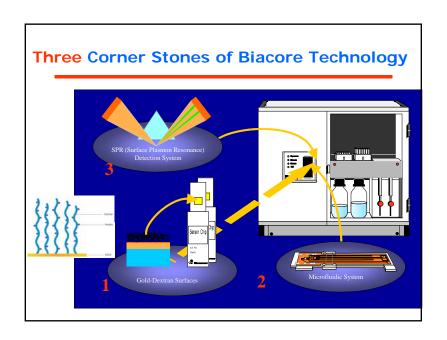
Plasmons & SPR "angle" 50 nm gold dielectric

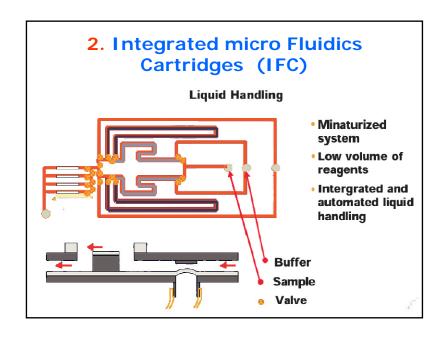
Measure reflected (polarized) light as function of angle.

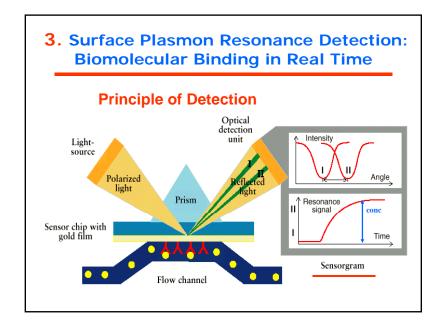
At a certain "Magic Angle" light is not reflected ("total internal reflection") but interacts with free electrons in gold to form a resonant energy wave – or surface plasmon.

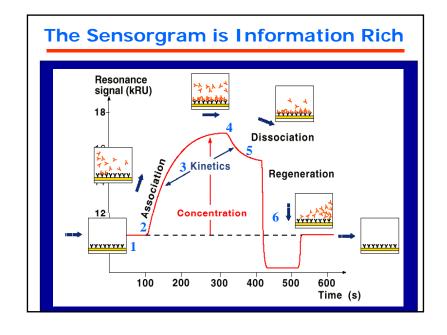
Plasmon – A plasmon is a collective oscillation of the conduction electrons in a metal - a quasiparticle that can be regarded as a hybrid of the conducting electrons and the photon.

Angle is sensitive to refractive index of dielectric which varies with concentration of molecules on the other side of gold layer!



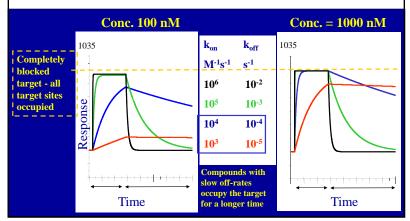






Same affinity but different kinetics

- All 4 compounds have the same affinity $K_D = 10 \text{ nM} = 10^{-8} \text{ M}$
- The binding kinetic constants vary by 4 orders of magnitude



Summary

- SPR detects binding events as changes in mass at the chip surface
- Real-time kinetic measurements
- Qualitative rankings
- Measurement of active concentration
- Information about structure-activity relationships
- Low volumes of precious samples needed

BUT!!! -

SPR is not a true solution method (vs. ITC)

Attaching receptor to surface can influence binding properties.

Chemical Kinetics: the study of the rate of reactions

rate measurements + dependence of experimental conditions

Mechanism: Explain what the molecules are doing / a set of reactions showing how molecules collide and make and break bonds.

For *one stoichiometric reaction*, there are *many mechanisms*.

Principle of microscopic reversibility

 $A \stackrel{1}{\rightleftharpoons} B$

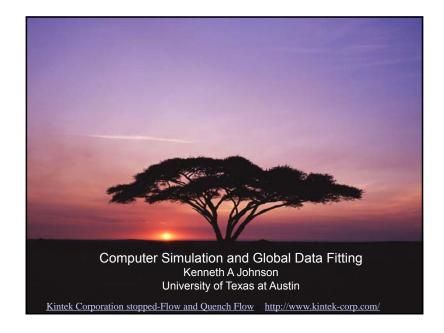


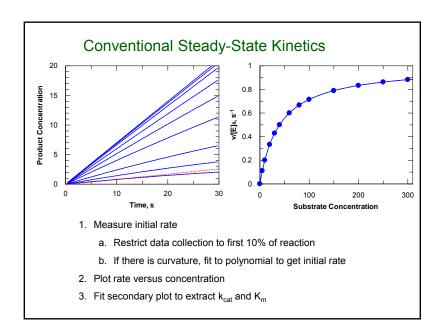
$$K = \frac{[B]}{[A]} = \frac{k1}{k-1} = \frac{k2k3}{k-2k-k}$$

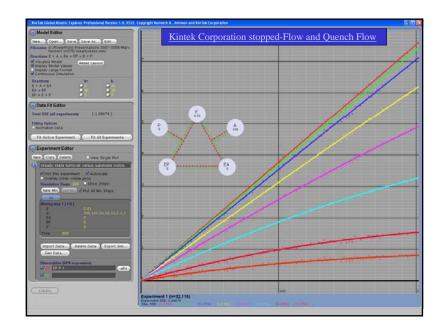
Rate Law / Order of Reaction

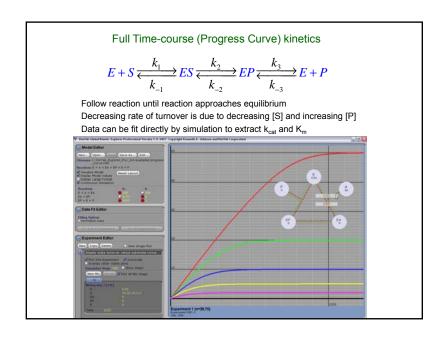
Sucrose + water ---- $(H+) \rightarrow \text{fructose} + \text{glucose}$

Measuring rate data: [] vs. time / "quenching" if time to measure is long compared to rate of reaction. → "Quenched-flow" apparatus

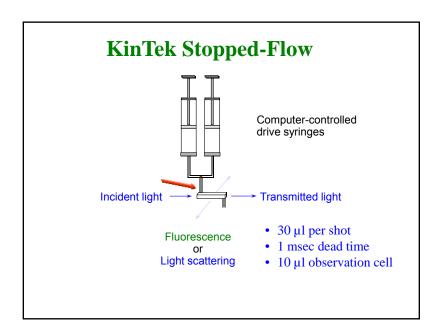


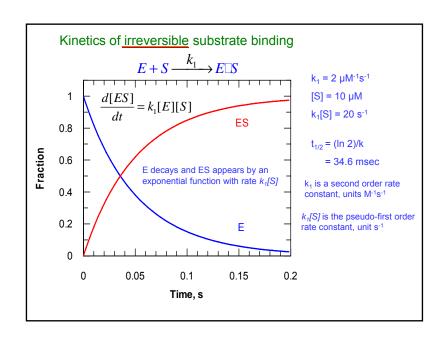


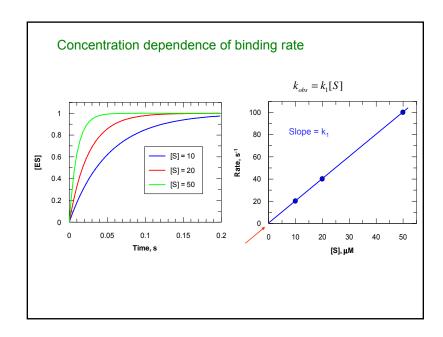


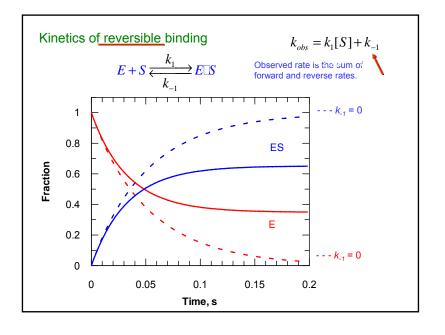


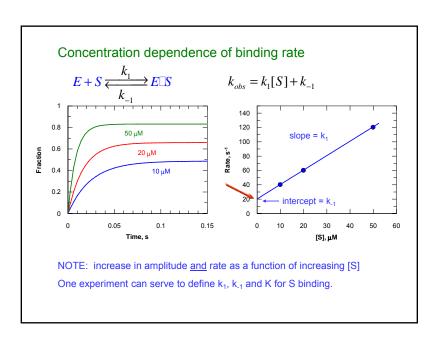












Kinetics of substrate binding: Two-steps, four rates

C. Complete solution $E + S \xleftarrow{k_1} E \square S \xleftarrow{k_2} E \square X$

Each species follows a double exponential

$$[E]_{i}/[E]_{0} = A_{1}e^{-\lambda_{1}t} + A_{2}e^{-\lambda_{2}t} + C$$

with rates of:

$$\lambda_1 \approx k_1[S] + k_{-1} + k_2 + k_{-2}$$

$$\lambda_2 \approx \frac{k_1[S](k_2 + k_{-2}) + k_{-1}k_{-2}}{k_1[S] + k_{-1} + k_2 + k_{-2}}$$

