## Excitotoxins

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Some additives in food can trigger the same biochemical response in the brain as a mild concussion.

They act as neurotransmitters, and in too high amounts they over stimulate the brain.

That is why they are named: EXITOTOXINS

### Excitotoxins

**Food additives:** 

Mono Sodium Glutamate

MSG

Neurotransmitters:

Glutamate

Aspartame =

Aspartate + Methanol

Aspartate

#### Concussion is a biochemical reaction.

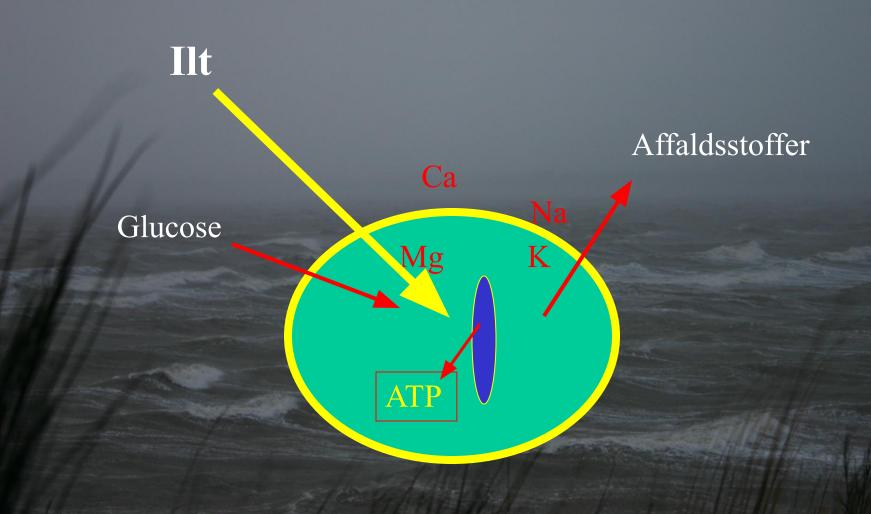
### Immediate response:

Calcium flows into neurons.

Potassium leaks out of neurons.

Neurons release large amounts of Glutamate.

## Cell metabolism



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#### Concussion is a biochemical reaction.

#### **Several hours:**

The biochemical imbalance affects the neurons energy production.

Restoring the biochemical balance requires a lot of energy.

### Concussion is a biochemical reaction.

#### **Several weeks:**

Free radicals and inflammations.

## Biochemical First Aid

#### **Avoid Excitotoxins:**

- MSG
- Aspartame

#### Take supplements:

- Magnesium
- Vitamin B complex
- Vitamin C
- Vitamin E
- Anti inflammatory diet.

# Thank you!

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