

SUBJECT:BIOLOGY CHAPTER:7 CHAPTER NAME: CONTROL AND COORDINATION. PERIOD-2

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REFLEX ACTION

- Refex action is a rapid automatic response to a stimulus which is not under the voluntary control of the brain
- For example; when your hand touches a very hot electric iron, you move away your hand in a jerk. All of this happens in flash and your hand is saved from the imminent injury. This is an example of reflex action.

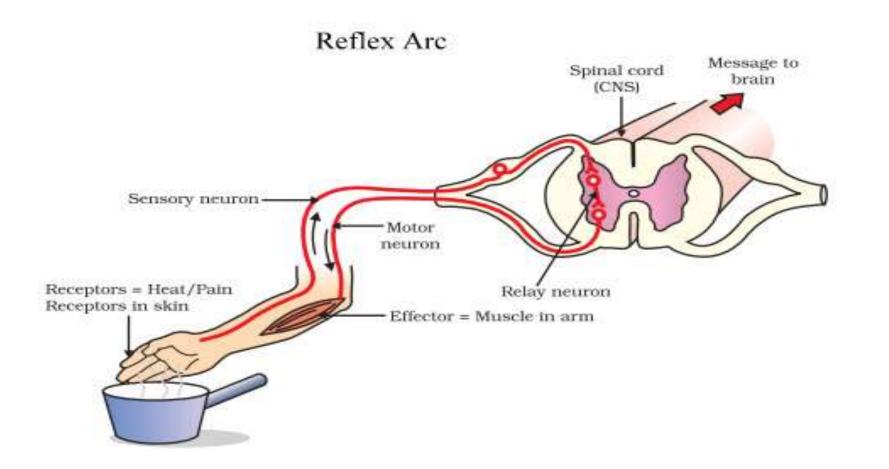


Mechanism of reflex action

- It involves the following steps
- Receptor
- Sensory neurone
- Spinal cord
- Motor nerve
- Effector organs



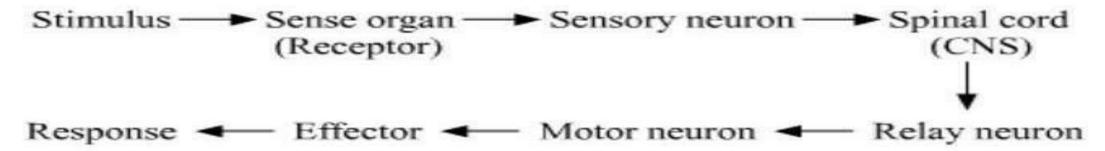
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Reflex arc is the pathway along which nerve impulse travels during the reflex action. Here is its flow chart.





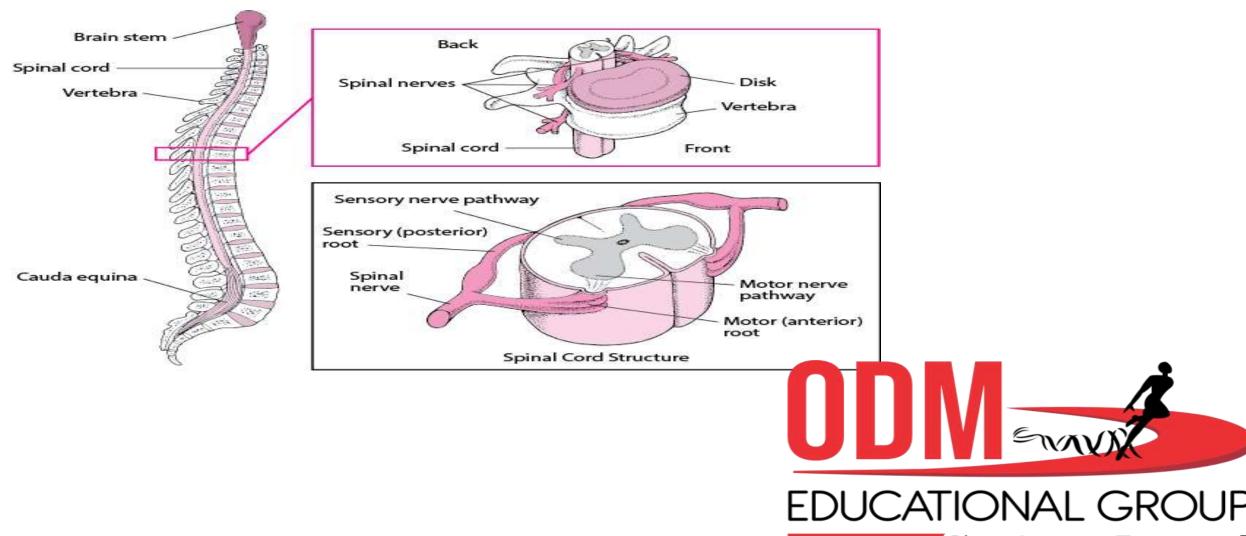
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Importance of reflex action

- If plays vital role for the survival of the animals
- It relieves the brain from maximum strain
- It protects the animals from harmful situation by immediate responses



Spinal cord



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HOME ASSIGNMENTS

1.Name the basic components of a reflex arc.

2What is the role of the brain in reflex action?

3. What do you mean by reflex action? Give examples of reflex actions?

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