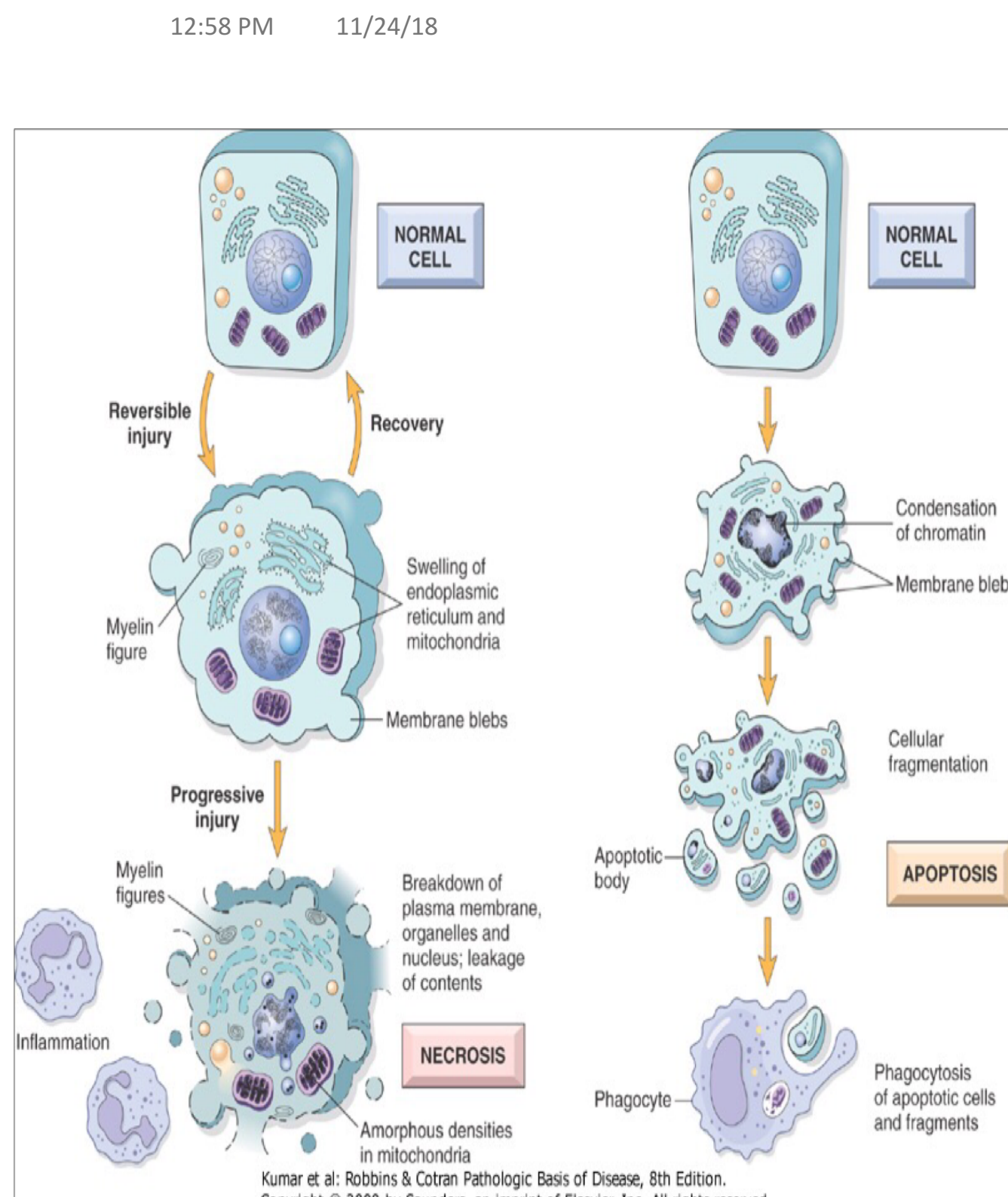


Apoptosis



the cell die in programmed way that does not cause inflammatory response

What happens in apoptosis?

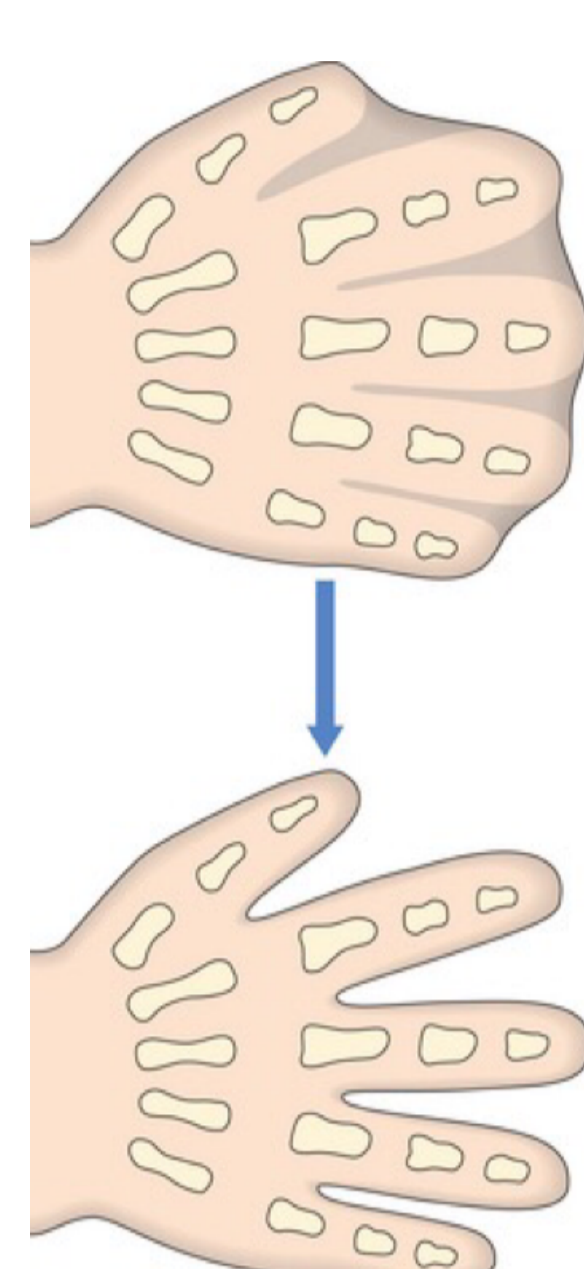
- Shrinkage of the cell
- Fragmentation
 - The whole cell turns into membrane-bound structures (vesicles) because of that the cell does not go on inflammation all the enzymes and cytokinase are still in the plasma do not go to the surrounding environment to recruit inflammation
- Phagocyte engulf the apoptotic body and get rid of them

Feature	necrosis	Apoptosis
Cell size	Enlarged (swelling)	Reduced (shrinkage)
Nucleus	Pyknosis, Karyorrhexis, karyolysis	Fragmentation into nucleosome-size fragments
Plasma membrane	Disrupted <i>*Hyper trophy</i>	Intact, altered structure, especially orientation of lipids
Cellular content	Enzymatic digestion, may leak out of cell	Intact, may be released in apoptotic bodies.
Adjacent inflammation	Frequent	No
Physiologic or pathologic role	Invariably pathologic	Often physiologic

- The plasma membrane of the apoptotic cells remains intact
- Each fragment of the cell contains nuclear & mitochondrial structure to stay alive for short time until its being engulfed by phagocyte

Apoptosis in Physiologic Situations

- Normal phenomenon to eliminate cells that are no longer needed and to maintain a constant number of cells of various types in tissues:
- The programmed destruction of cells during embryogenesis
- Involution of hormone-dependent tissues: regression of the lactating breast after weaning



- Cell loss in proliferating cell populations: intestinal crypt epithelia, to maintain a constant number
 - Proliferating cells go under apoptosis to maintain normal cell number in tissues (شرح)

- Elimination of cells that have served their useful purpose: neutrophils

- Elimination of potentially harmful self-reactive lymphocytes.

If reactive lymphocytes did not undergo apoptosis it will cause autoimmune disease

- Cell death induced by cytotoxic T lymphocytes, to kill virus-infected and neoplastic cells.

- Cells affected with virus undergo apoptosis to prevent the replication of the virus

• Apoptosis eliminates cells that are genetically altered or injured beyond repair:

• DNA damage: Radiation, cytotoxic anticancer drugs, extremes of temperature, and even hypoxia

- Apoptosis if the insult is mild, but larger doses of the same stimuli result in necrosis.

• Accumulation of misfolded proteins.

Mechanisms of Apoptosis

We have 2 pathways to induce apoptosis

- Intrinsic pathway
 - start from inside the mitochondria
- Extrinsic pathway
 - Signals coming to the cell from outside and bind to certain receptors on the outer surface

eliciting factor: العامل المحفز

Intrinsic pathway

- Eliciting factor for initiating this pathway is DNA damage
- ATM is protein when it is activated it binds to P53 (one of the tumour suppressor genes) this will activate group of proteins called BAX *there is another group called BAK have the same function.
 - Make pores in the mitochondria release Ca²⁺ and some radicals (H⁺) but the most important is Cytochrome c
- Cytochrome c binds with APAF molecule then binds with procaspase 9 converting it to active form caspase 9
- Caspase 9 cleaves the protein

P53: is protein function as tumour suppressor

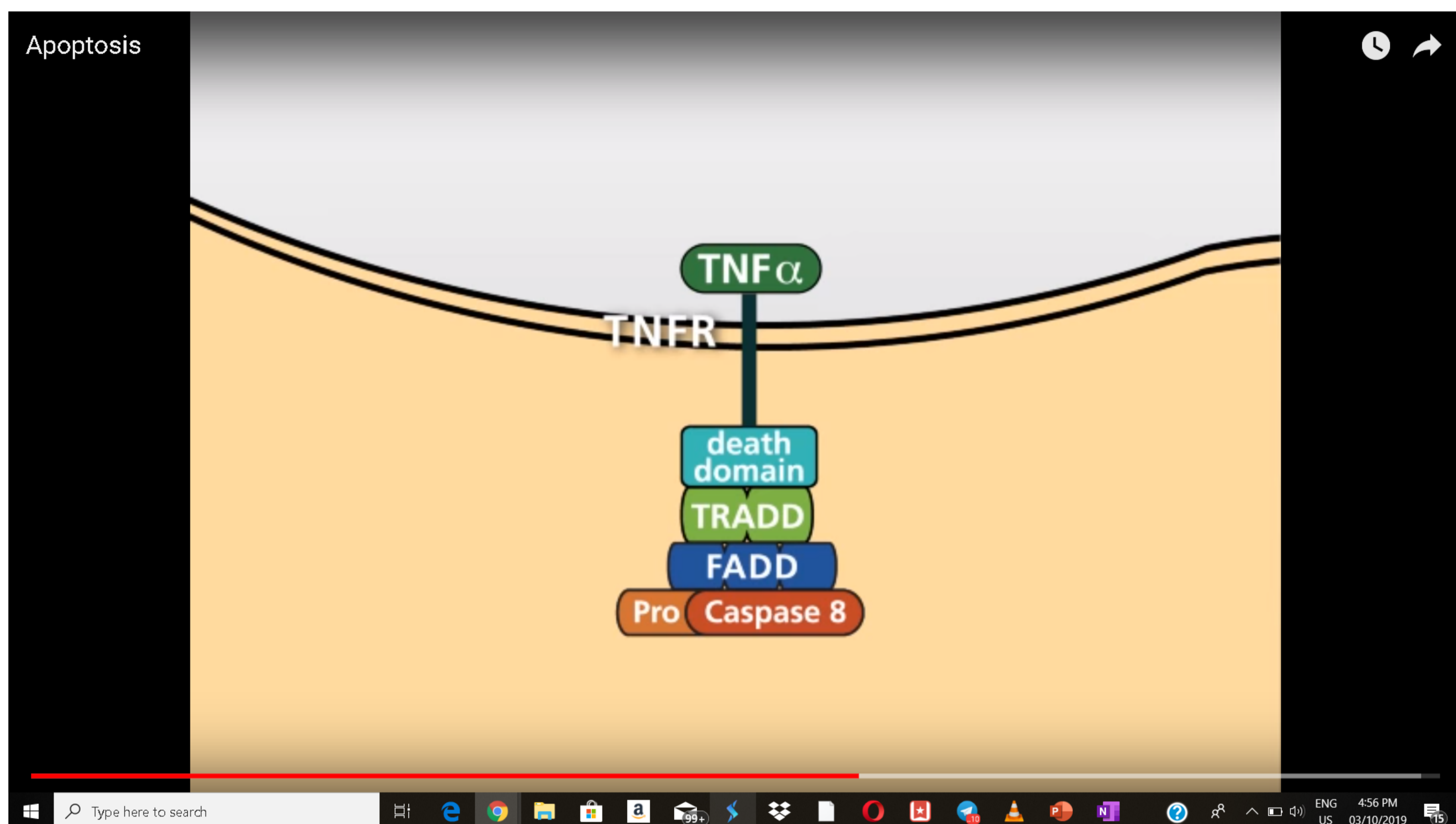
P.5: apoptosis is mediated through caspases they are different types and given numbers

Caspases have to be activated: inactive form is procaspase.

Caspase cascade: one of the caspases activates the same type or other types of caspases.

Extrinsic pathway

- Signals come from outside from lymphocyte normally like (Tumour necrosis factor TNFR) TNF α binds to its receptor on the surface activate death domain protein / TRADD binds to its receptor on the death domain activating FADD then activating procaspase 8



Caspase 3

- cleave the DNase inhibitor activating DNase enzyme
- make cleavage at certain site of the DNA
- cleave cytoskeleton structure

We have resident macrophages in tissue ready to engulf cells undergo apoptosis

The Mitochondrial (Intrinsic) Pathway

• Responsible for apoptosis in most situations.

• Mitochondria contain several proteins that are capable of inducing apoptosis: cytochrome c and other proteins

• The permeability of mitochondria, is controlled by Bcl-2 family

BCL2: primarily anti apoptotic

• Sensors are activated:

- When cells are deprived of growth factors and other survival signals, or are exposed to agents that damage DNA, or accumulate unacceptable amounts of misfolded proteins.

• The Sensors:

- Activate two pro-apoptotic members of the family called Bax and Bak, which dimerize, insert into the mitochondrial membrane, and form channels through which cytochrome c and other proteins escape into the cytosol.

Bax & Bak make pores in the mitochondria

- Inhibit the anti-apoptotic molecules Bcl-2 and Bcl-x

• Cytochrome c activates caspase-9

• Other proteins that leak out of mitochondria block the activities of caspase antagonists