

Glucose Metabolism: Glycolysis





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Glycolysis: Revision > Major oxidative pathway of glucose > The main reactions of glycolytic pathway > The rate-limiting enzymes/Regulation > ATP production (aerobic/anaerobic) > Pyruvate kinase deficiency hemolytic anemia

Substrate-level phosphorylation Vs. Oxidative phosphorylation

- **Phosphorylation** is the metabolic reaction of introducing a phosphate group into an organic molecule.
- Oxidative phosphorylation: The formation of high-energy phosphate bonds by phosphorylation of ADP to ATP <u>coupled to</u> the transfer of electrons from reduced coenzymes to molecular oxygen via the electron transport chain (ETC); it occurs in the mitochondria.
- Substrate-level phosphorylation: The formation of highenergy phosphate bonds by phosphorylation of ADP to ATP (or GDP to GTP) <u>coupled to</u> cleavage of a high-energy metabolic intermediate (substrate). It may occur in cytosol or mitochondria

Summary: Regulation of Glycolysis

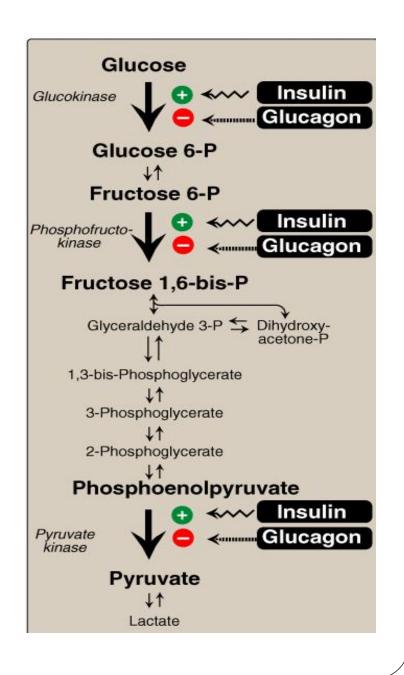
Regulatory Enzymes (Irreversible reactions): Glucokinase/hexokinase PFK-1 Pyruvate kinase

Regulatory Mechanisms: Rapid, short-term: Allosteric Covalent modifications Slow, long-term: Induction/repression Apply the above mechanisms for each enzyme where applicable

Long-Term Regulation of Glycolysis

Insulin: Induction

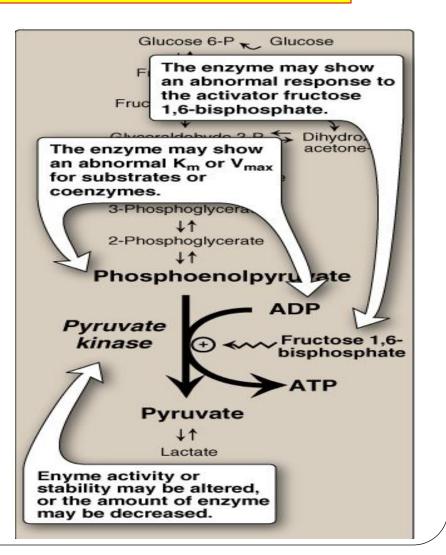
Glucagon: Repression



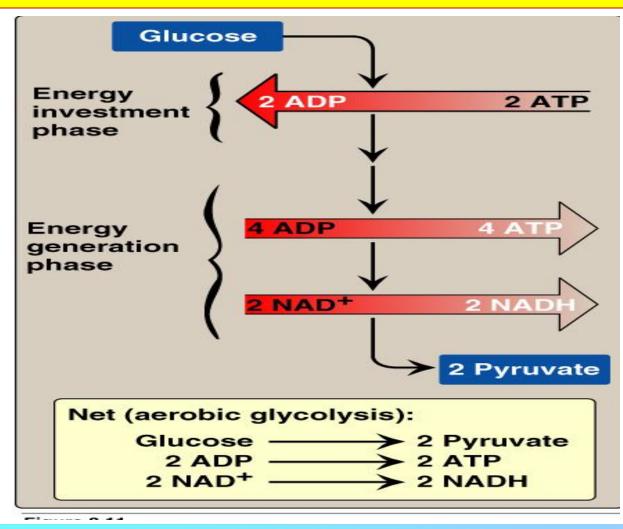
Pyruvate Kinase Deficiency Hemolytic Anemia

PK Mutation may lead to:

- 1. Altered Enz. kinetics
- 2. Decreased Enz. stability
- **3.** Altered response to activator



Aerobic Glycolysis: Total Vs Net ATP Production



Aerobic Glycolysis: ATP Production

ATP Consumed:

Net:

ATP Produced: Substrate-level Oxidative-level Total

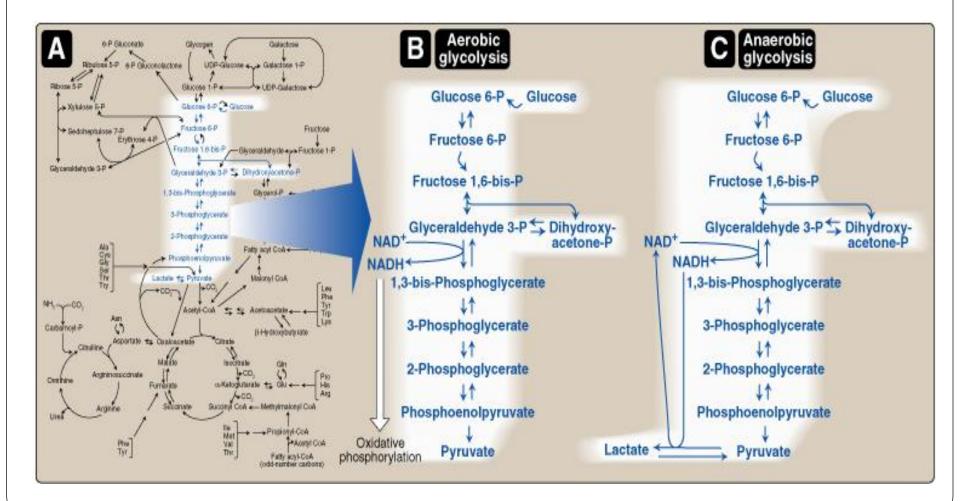
2 X 2 = 4 ATP 2 X 3 = 6 ATP10 ATP

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ATP

10 - 2 = 8 ATP

Aerobic Vs Anaerobic Glycolysis

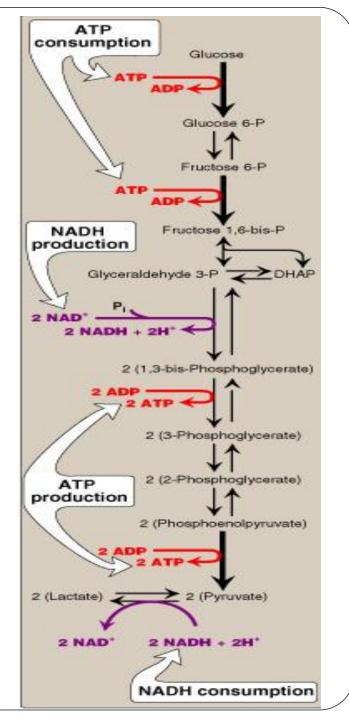


Anaerobic Glycolysis

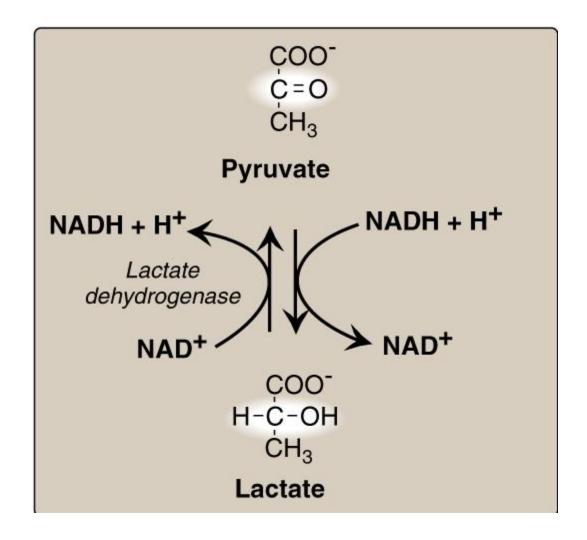
NADH produced cannot used by ETC for ATP production (No O₂ and/or No mitochondria)

Less ATP production, as compared to aerobic glycolysis

Lactate is an obligatory end product, Why?



Lactate Dehydrogenase



Anaerobic Glycolysis: ATP Production

ATP Consumed:

ATP Produced:Substrate-level2 X 2 =4ATPOxidative-level2 X 3 =6ATPTotal4ATP

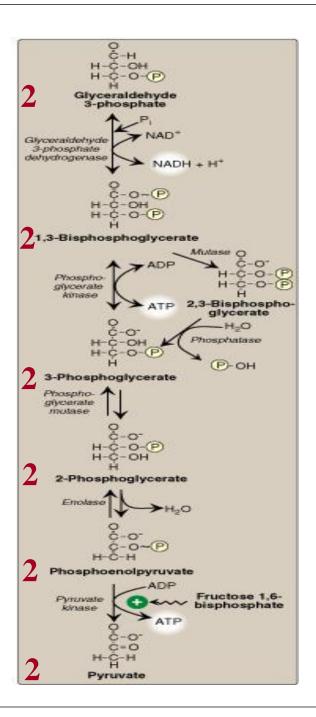
Net:

4 - 2 = 2 ATP

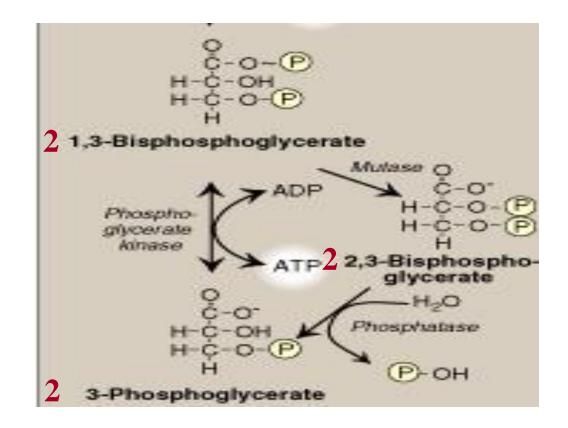
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ATP

Anaerobic Glycolysis in RBCs: 2,3-BPG Shunt



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Glycolysis in RBCs: ATP Production

ATP Consumed:

ATP Produced: 2 X 2 = 41 X 2 = 2**Substrate-level** ATP **ATP** 2X3otivo lo ATP **Total 4 OR 2** ATP 4 - 2 =Net: **ATP** 2 ATP

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ATP

Glycolysis in RBCs: Summary

End product: Lactate No net production or consumption of NADH

Energy yield:If no 2,3-BPG is formed:2 ATPIf 2,3-BPG shunt occurs:0 ATP

PK Deficiency hemolytic anemia depends on: Degree of PK Deficiency Compensation by 2,3-BPG

Take Home Message

- Glycolysis is the major oxidative pathway for glucose
- > Glycolysis is employed by all tissues
- Glycolysis is a tightly-regulated pathway
- > PFK-1 is the rate-limiting regulatory enzyme

Take Home Message

- Glycolysis is mainly a catabolic pathwayfor ATP production, But it has some anabolic features (amphibolic)
- Pyruvate kinase deficiency in RBCs results in hemolytic anemia

Take Home Message

Net energy produced in: Aerobic glycolysis: 8 ATP Anaerobic glycolysis: 2 ATP

Net energy produced in glycolysis in RBCs:
Without 2,3 BPG synthesis: 2 ATP
With 2,3 BPG synthesis: 0 ATP