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# Oxidative Decarboxylation and Krebs Cycle

Foundation block..

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تعلمت فرده عند حاجتى  
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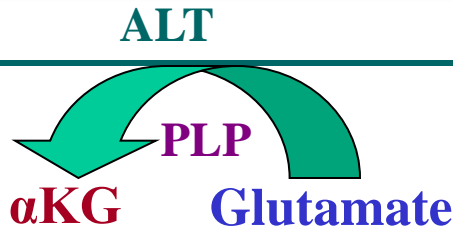
# Fates of Pyruvate

Anaerobic Occurs in yeast and some bacteria ( intestinal flora )

Decarboxylation by Thiamine pyrophosphate

Alanine

Non essential amino acid



Intermediates for Krebs cycle

4 Carbons

Krebs cycle begins when Oxaloacetate + Acetyl CoA = citrate

4 Carbons      2 Carbons

synthesis of glucose by the lactate to pyruvate then Oxaloacetate

That's why its important

## ETHANOL SYNTHESIS

- Occurs in yeast and some bacteria (including intestinal flora).
- Thiamine pyrophosphate-dependent pathway

Ethanol

Reduction

Lactate

Reversible reaction

CO<sub>2</sub>

(Thiamine-PP)

PYRUVATE

CO<sub>2</sub>

NAD<sup>+</sup>

NADH + H<sup>+</sup>

CO<sub>2</sub>

NAD<sup>+</sup>

NADH + H<sup>+</sup>

Oxaloacetate

Acetyl CoA

irreversible steps

## PYRUVATE DEHYDROGENASE COMPLEX

- Inhibited by acetyl CoA.
- Source of acetyl CoA for TCA and fatty acid synthesis.
- An irreversible reaction.

## PYRUVATE CARBOXYLASE

- Activated by acetyl CoA.
- Replenishes intermediates of the TCA cycle.
- Provides substrates for gluconeogenesis.
- An irreversible reaction.

# Fates of Pyruvate

1. Oxidative decarboxylation into Acetyl CoA: the enzyme is pyruvate dehydrogenase complex (PDH). It occurs in mitochondria. It is irreversible. Acetyl CoA can enter the Krebs cycle to produce energy, or acts as a building block for fatty acid synthesis. Inhibited by Acetyl CoA and NADH +H.

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2. Carboxylation into oxaloacetate (OAA): the enzyme is pyruvate carboxylase. It occurs in mitochondria. It is irreversible. It needs biotin and ATP. OAA replenishes the Krebs cycle intermediate & provides substrate for gluconeogenesis.

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3. Reduction to lactate: the enzyme is lactate dehydrogenase. (LDH). Important in anaerobic glycolysis and in gluconeogenesis. Reversible reaction.

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4. Reduction to ethanol: it occurs in 2 steps: decarboxylation then reduction. Decarboxylation occurs in yeast and some micororganisms and in intestinal bacterial Flora. The enzyme requires thiamine pyrophohosphate (TPP) as a coenzyme.

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5. Conversion to Alanine by alanine aminotransferase (ALT): an amino group is transferred from glutamate to pyruvate, resulting in the formation of alpha ketoglutarate ( $\alpha$ KG) and alanine. The enzyme requires the coenzyme pyridoxal phosphate (PLP: vit B<sub>6</sub> derivative) as a coenzyme. The reaction is reversible.

# Oxidative Decarboxylation of Pyruvate

Occurs in the mitochondria and produce energy

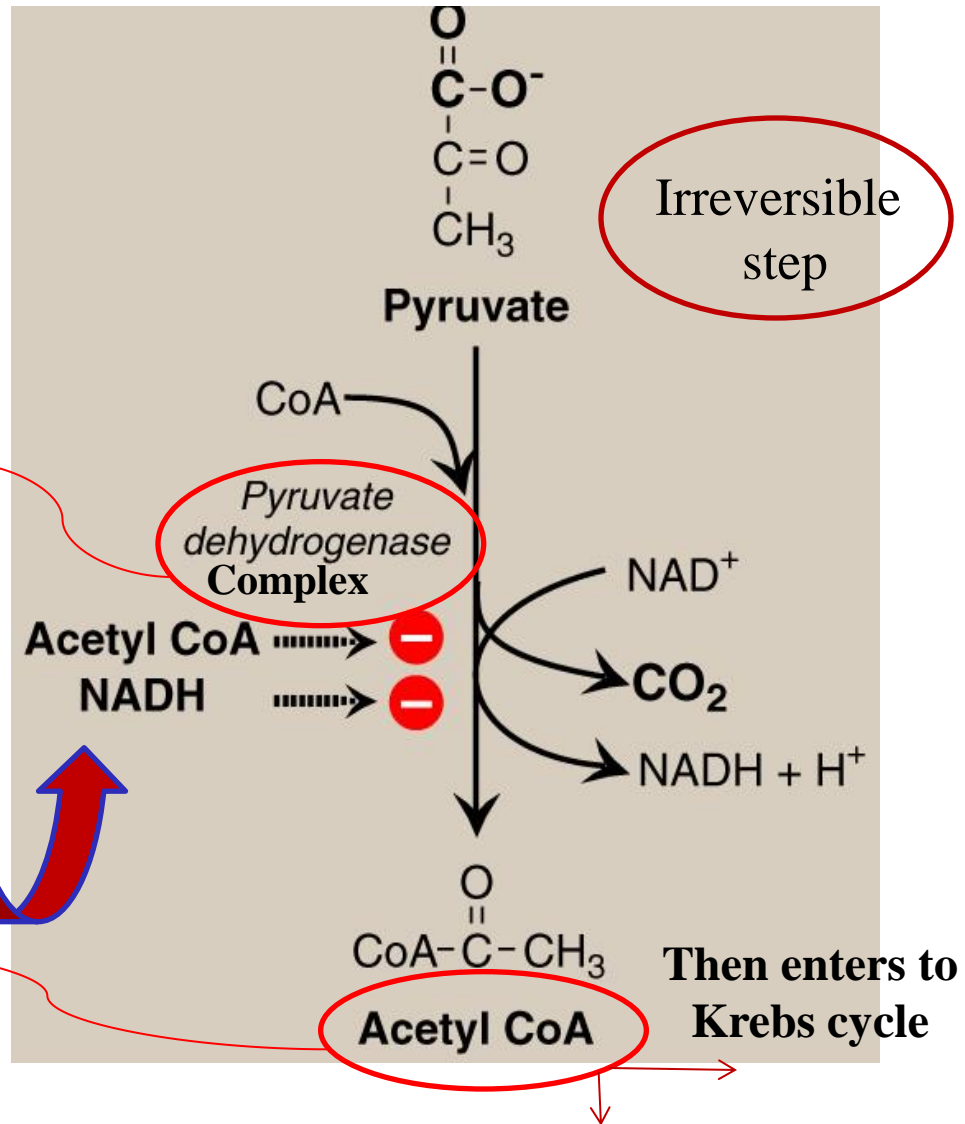
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Not only 1 enzyme

If there is many Acetyl CoA It Inhibits the pyruvate dehydrogenase complex

At the same time stimulate the pyruvate carboxylase

Allosteric Regulation

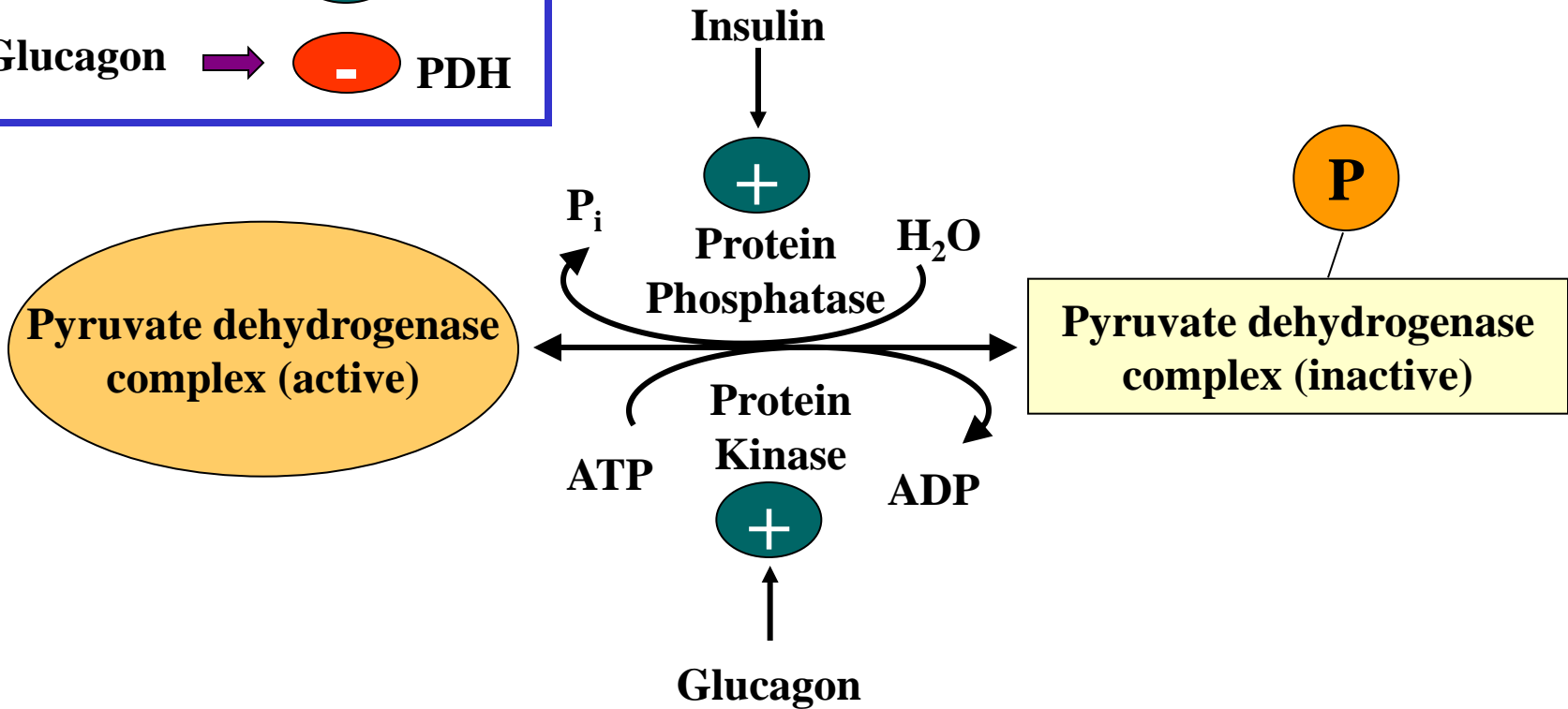
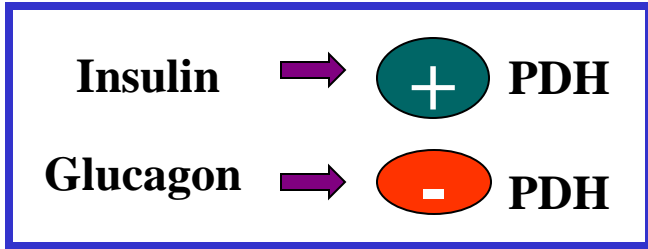


Fatty acid synthesis ( non essential ) our bodies can produce it

## Oxidative Decarboxylation of Pyruvate

The endproduct of aerobic glycolysis (Pyruvate) is transported to mitochondria to be Oxidatively decarboxylated to Acetyl CoA. The enzyme is pyruvate dehydrogenase complex (PDH). PDH is not part of the glycolysis nor of TCA cycle. It occurs in mitochondria. It is irreversible. The endproduct (Acetyl CoA) can enter the Krebs cycle, or be used in fatty acid synthesis.

# PDH Complex: Covalent Regulation



# Regulation of PDH Complex:

Allosteric inhibition by Acetyl CoA and NADH

Covalent regulation by a kinase and a phosphatase enzymes  
(phosphorylated form of PDH is inactive, and  
dephosphorylated form is active)

Insulin activates PDH complex (by stimulating the phosphatase enzyme), and Glucagon inhibits PDH complex (by stimulating the kinase enzyme).

Calcium ions activates the PDH complex, which is particularly important in skeletal muscle contraction.

**Final common pathway for oxidation**

**Exclusively in mitochondria**

**Major source for ATP**

**Common path way for  
oxidation of:**

**-lipid  
-carbohydrates  
-proteins**

**Tricarboxylic Acid Cycle  
or Krebs Cycle**

**Synthetic reactions (anabolic features):**  
**Glucose from amino acids**  
**Nonessential amino acids**  
**Fatty acids**  
**Heme**

**Mainly  
catabolic with  
some anabolic  
features**

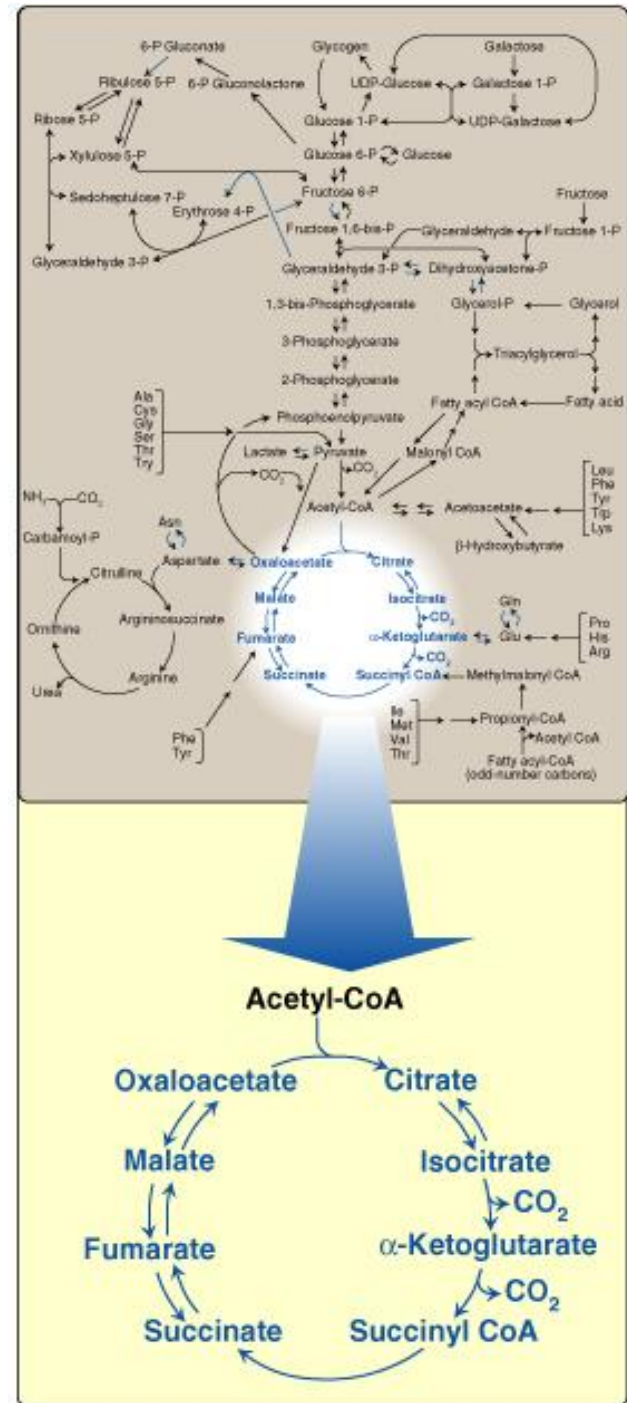


# Krebs Cycle

Krebs cycle: there must be mitochondria and  $O_2$

There is no Krebs cycle in RBCs

It is Aerobic pathway  
It is a major source for ATP



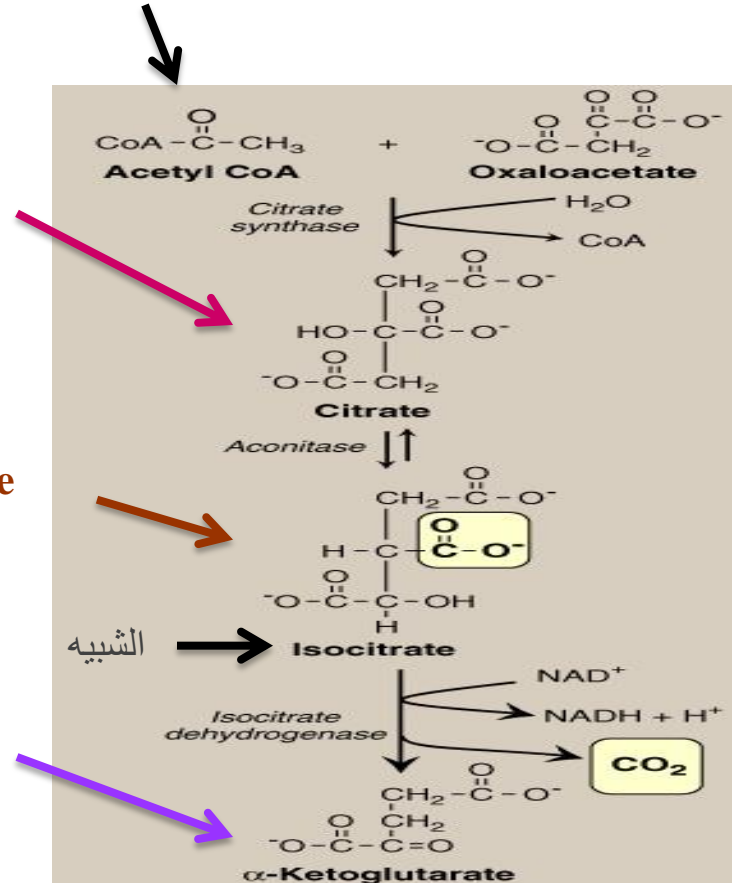
# Krebs Cycle Reactions (I)

-Synthesis of citrate (from acetyl CoA + OAA): the enzyme is citrate synthase. Citrate inhibits PFK-1 (The rate limiting step in glycolysis)

-Isomerization of citrate to isocitrate by aconitase enzyme

- Oxidation & decarboxylation of Isocitrate to  $\alpha$ KG by isocitrate dehydrogenase. The reaction releases  $\text{CO}_2$  and NADH

From pyruvate



# Krebs Cycle Reaction (2)

**-Oxidation & decarboxylation of αKG to succinyl CoA (by αKG dehydrogenase complex).** The reaction releases **CO<sub>2</sub>** and **NADH**.

**-Cleavage of succinyl CoA into succinate (by succinate thiokinase).** The reaction produces **GTP** (which can be converted to ATP). This is **substrate-level phosphorylation** > (NO need for o<sub>2</sub> and/or mitochondria).

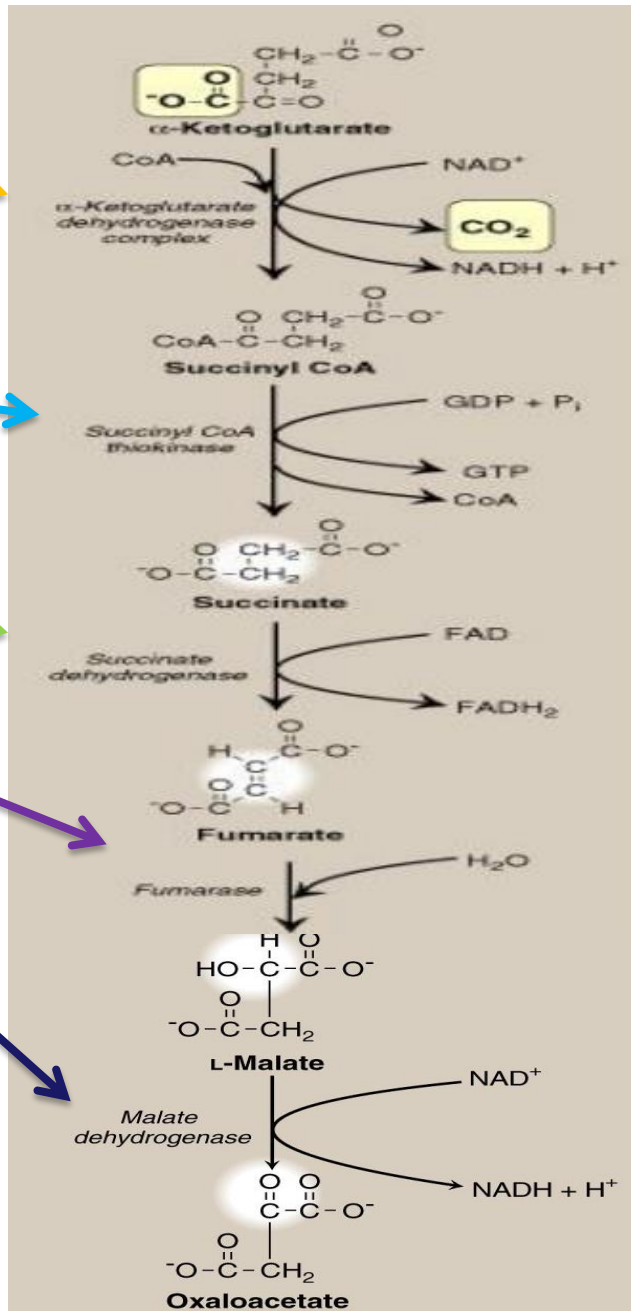
**-Oxidation of succinate to fumarate (by succinate dehydrogenase).** The reaction produces **FADH<sub>2</sub>**

**-Hydration of fumarate to L-malate (by fumarase)**

**-Oxidation of L-malate to OAA by malate dehydrogenase.**  
**The reaction releases NADH.**

**Important:**

1. When NADH is oxidized in the ETC → 3 ATP molecules, (this is oxidative phosphorylation).
2. which when FADH oxidized in the ETC → 2 ATP (this is oxidative phosphorylation).
3. In substrate-level phosphorylation NO need for o<sub>2</sub> and/or mitochondria.. And we have only one reaction in krebs cycle can do it (which is the **blue** one)
4. Oxidative = dehydrogenation
5. Multiply by X2 at the end NOT now



didn't get it? Maybe this will help you..

| Enzyme   | Between who?                                | Action  |
|--|---|---|
| Citrate synthase                                     | Acetyl CoA+ Oxaloacetate <b>and</b> Citrate | -irreversible<br>-Citrate inhibits PFK-1 (The rate limiting step in glycolysis)                               |
| Aconitase  | Citrate <b>and</b> isocitrate               | -Isomerization  |
| Isocitrate dehydrogenase                             | Isocitrate <b>and</b> $\alpha$ KG           | -Oxidation & decarboxylation<br>-reaction releases $\text{CO}_2$ and NADH (this is oxidative phosphorylation) |
| $\alpha$ KG dehydrogenase complex (multiple enzymes) | $\alpha$ KG <b>and</b> succinyl CoA         | -Oxidation & decarboxylation<br>-reaction releases $\text{CO}_2$ and NADH (this is oxidative phosphorylation) |
| Succinate thiokinase                                 | succinyl CoA <b>and</b> succinate           | -Cleavage<br>-The reaction produces $\text{GTP} > \text{ATP}$ (substrate-level phosphorylation)               |
| Succinate dehydrogenase                              | succinate <b>and</b> fumarate               | -Oxidation<br>-reaction produces $\text{FADH}_2$  |
| Fumarase   | Fumarate <b>and</b> L-malate                | -Hydration.   |
| Malate dehydrogenase                                 | L-malate <b>and</b> OAA                     | -Oxidation<br>-reaction releases NADH   |

# Krebs Cycle: Energy yield

| Energy-producing reaction               | Number of ATP produced            |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| 3 NADH $\rightarrow$ 3 NAD <sup>+</sup> | 9                                 |
| FADH <sub>2</sub> $\rightarrow$ FAD     | 2                                 |
| GDP + P <sub>i</sub> $\rightarrow$ GTP  | 1                                 |
|   | <u>12 ATP/acetyl CoA oxidized</u> |

Of 1 acetyl CoA = 12 ATP

Oxidative phosphorylation  
Substrate-level phosphorylation

Net ATP production by complete glucose oxidation:

Aerobic glycolysis = 8 ATP

Oxidative decarboxylation =  
 $2 \times 3 = 6$  ATP

Krebs cycle:  $2 \times 12 = 24$  ATP

Net = 38 ATP

## Summary:

- Pyruvate is oxidatively decarboxylated by PDH to acetyl CoA inside the mitochondria
- glycolysis is both aerobic and anaerobic but krebs cycle is only aerobic
- Krebs cycle:
  - Final common pathway for the oxidation of carbohydrates, fatty acids and amino acids
  - occurs in the mitochondria
  - Aerobic
  - Mainly catabolic, with some anabolic reactions

-The complete oxidation of one glucose molecule results in a net production of 38 ATP molecules

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