# Glucose Metabolism(Glycolysis)

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# **Objectives:**

- Recognize glycolysis as the major oxidative pathway of glucose
- List the main reactions of glycolytic pathway

### (there are 10 reactions)

- Discuss the rate-limiting enzymes/Regulation
- Assess the ATP production (aerobic/anaerobic)
- Define pyruvate kinase deficiency hemolytic anemia
- Discuss the unique nature of glycolysis in RBCs.

Dr's Notes:

You must know:

location: cytosol

- Net yield

- Substrates & products

### Overview

- Glycolysis, the major pathway for glucose oxidation, occurs in the cytosol of all cells.
- It is unique, in that it can function either aerobically or anaerobically, depending on the availability of <u>oxygen and</u> <u>intact mitochondria.</u>
- It allows tissues to survive in presence or absence of oxygen, e.g., skeletal muscle.
- RBCs, which lack mitochondria, are completely reliant on glucose as their metabolic fuel, and metabolizes it by anaerobic glycolysis.



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### Aerobic



#### 1<sup>st</sup> reaction Phosphorylation of glucose



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> reaction

**1-ACTION:** 

Adding of

phosphate

**Enzymes** :

Hexokinase:

Most tissues

Glucokinase:

Hepatocyte

group to

glucose

#### Isomerization of glucose 6-phosphate



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2-ACTION : Isomerization 1 ATP is consumed\* of glucose 6phosphate to fructose 6phosphate Enzyme : Phosphoglucose isomerase

### **Regulation:** Glucokinase/Hexokinase



it is inhibited by the reaction product, glucose-6-P which accumulates when further metabolism of this hexose is reduced

**1** Glucokinase

#### In liver & pancreas

It is inhibited indirectly by Fructose-6-P and is indirectly stimulated by glucose

## **Glucokinase (GK) Regulation**

- In the presence of high fructose-6-phosphate, GK translocates and binds tightly to GKRP (glucokinase regulatory protein) in the nucleus, making it inactive
- When glucose levels are high in blood and hepatocytes (GLUT-2), GK is released from GKRP and enters the cytosol



#### Reactions (3<sup>rd</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>

# Phosphorylation of fructose 6-phosphate



#### **ACTION :**

Adding phosphate group to fructose 6-phosphate

**Enzyme :** Phospho-fructokinase-1 (PFK-1)

\*Phospho-fructokinase-1 (PFK-1) is the most important regulatory enzyme in glycolysis\* . <u>It's a rate limiting enzyme</u>

#### (PFK-1) and its regulation

Allosteric Regulation
 Inhibited by: ATP & citrate
 Stimulated by: AMP & Fructose2,6-bisphosphate

Induction/Repression
 Induced by: insulin
 Repressed by: glucagon

ممكن يأخذ الجسم ثنين من واحد منهم يعني؟؛ يحول واحدة منهم لثاني لان هذا تفاعل رجعي او ينتج ثنين اللي هو محتاجه بيسويه بس حنا ندرس لما يكون 2 Glyceraldehydes

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Reactions (3rd-5th)

### Cleavage of fructose 1,6- bisphosphate

#### **ACTION :**

Cleaving fructose 1,6-bisphosphate to dihydroxyacetone phosphate and glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate Enzyme: Aldolase A



Isomerization of dihydroxyacetone phosphate

#### ACTION :

Interconverting dihydroxyacetone phos- phate (DHAP) into glyceraldehyde 3- phosphate Enzyme:

Triose phosphate isomerase

- To complete glycolytic pathway (DHAP) should be converted to glyceraldehyde 3phosphate, so we will have 2 molecules of glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate
- After this point there will be <u>2 molecules</u> of the each next reactions

(Reactions: 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>)

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### Oxidation of glyceraldehyde 3- phosphate

(Oxidative level)

#### **ACTION :**

Oxidation to the molecule NAD+ NADH , this reaction used to add Phosphate group to the molecule.

#### Enzyme :

Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate Dehydrogenase.

Outcomes : 2 NADH = 6 ATP will be produced by ETC in the mitochondria

TOTAL : 6ATP



Synthesis of 3phosphoglycerate, Producing ATP (Substrate level)

#### **ACTION :**

Phosphate group add to ADP to become ATP.

Enzyme : Phosphoglycerate kinase



# Shift of the phosphate group

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#### ACTION

It is isomer and what change is : The P group change position from O in carbon-3 to O in carbon-2 by

Enzyme: phosphoglycerate mutase.

#### Formation of pyruvate, producing ATP (Substrate-level)

phosphoenolpyruvate  $\rightarrow$  pyruvate

Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate formed in 3rd step , it will go to the last step (it is Allosteric)

Enzyme: pyruvate kinase



## Dehydration of 2phosphoglycerate

#### ACTION :

Phosphoglycerate change to phosphoenolpyruvate by remove water .

#### Enzyme: Enolase

## Substrate-level phosphorylation Vs. Oxidative phosphorylation

• Phosphorylation is the metabolic reaction of introducing a phosphate group into an organic molecule.

| Oxidative phosphorylation   | Substrate-level phosphorylation   |
|---|---|
| The formation of high-energy phosphate bonds by phosphorylation of ADP to ATP | The formation of high-energy phosphate bonds<br>by phosphorylation of ADP to ATP<br>(or GDP to GTP) |
| the transfer of electrons from reduced coenzymes to molecular oxygen by ETC   | cleavage of a high-energy metabolic intermediate (substrate).                                       |
| mitochondria  | cytosol or mitochondria   |

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### Aerobic Glycolysis: ATP Production

ATP Consumed: 2 ATP

ATP Produced:

- Substrate-level: 2 X 2 = 4 ATP
- Oxidative-level: 2 X 3 ATP (each NADH = 3 ATP will be produced)= 6 ATP

Total: 10 ATP Net:10–2=8ATP

### Anaerobic



## Anaerobic glycolysis

- NADH produced cannot be used by ETC for ATP production (No O<sub>2</sub> and/or No mitochondria)
- Less ATP production, as compared to aerobic glycolysis
- Lactate is an obligatory end product,

### Why?

Because the cell has limited amount of NAD+. So NAD+ is needed to transform Glyceraldehyde 3-P to 1,3bisphosphoglycerate and NADH molecules are produced. Therefore, they need to be regenerated to NAD+ otherwise glycolysis stops .



### Lactate dehydrogenase

### ACTION :

# Pyruvate lactate Enzyme :

• Lactate dehydrogenase This reaction is reversible. However, the enzyme for both directions is lactate dehydrogenase even though the reaction in the forward direction gains hydrogen



### Anaerobic Glycolysis: ATP production

ATP Consumed: 2 ATP ATP Produced:

• Substrate-level: 2 X 2 = 4 ATP

• Oxidative-level: 2 X 3 = 6 ATP

Oxidative phosphorylation is cancelled because the NADH molecules don't go to ETC to produce ATP in anaerobic glycolysis but they go to help in lactate production

Total: 4 ATPNet: 4 - 2 = 2 ATP

### Anaerobic Glycolysis in RBCs

All the steps are the same with other anaerobic glycolysis **except** "2,3-BPG Shunt" in sometimes.

Function of: 2,3-BPG: delivery of oxygen



Importance of mutase enzyme

It is important for association and dissociation between O2 and hemoglobin.

Increase in "2,3-BPG" will help to loss of association between O2 and hemoglobin and will release more O2.

It usually occurs with people who live in high altitude.

#### **ACTION**:

1,3-bisphosphoglycerate → 2,3-bisphospoglycerate

Enzyme : Mutase

#### **ACTION :**

2,3-bisphospoglycerate →
3-phospoglycerate , by
adding water molecule and
removing phosphate group

#### Enzyme : phosphatase



Remember:

 No production of ATP in formation of "2,3-BPG".
 "2,3-BPG" comes back to "3-Phosphoglycerate" by Phosphatase enzyme

### **Glycolysis in RBCs: ATP Production**

**ATP consumed : ATP produced :** 

Total:

Net :

2 ATP

Substrate-level 2X2 = 4 ATPOr 1X2= 2 ATP if the is 2,3-BPG 4 ATP 4-2= 2 ATP Or 2-2= 0 ATP if the is 2,3-BPG

### **Glycolysis in RBCs: Summary**



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## Glycolysis net yield

| Glycolysis                |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Aerobic glycolysis        | 8 ATP |
| Anaerobic glycolysis      | 2 ATP |
| Glycolysis in RBCs        |       |
| Without 2,3 BPG synthesis | 2 ATP |
| With 2,3 BPG synthesis    | 0 ATP |

### **Take Home Messages**

- 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
- Glycolysis is mainly a catabolic pathway for ATP production, But it has some anabolic features (amphibolic)
- Pyruvate kinase deficiency in RBCs results in hemolytic anemia
- <u>Net energy produced in:</u> Aerobic glycolysis: Anaerobic glycolysis: 8 ATP 2 ATP
- <u>Net energy produced in glycolysis in RBCs:</u> Without 2,3 BPG synthesis: With 2,3 BPG synthesis: 2 ATP 0 ATP



### **Review**

Glycolysis is a type of anaerobic (does not directly require oxygen) cellular respiration that breaks glucose down into two ATP molecules and pyruvic acid (also called pyruvate) and releases electrons. Glycolysis happens in the cytoplasm of the cell. The electrons that are released in the process are picked up by NAD+ molecules and carried to another part of the cell for another reaction called the electron transport system. Glycolysis is the first step of a series of steps that produces ATP for cellular energy. The pyruvic acid produced by glycolysis is then transferred into another process called the krebs cycle where even more ATP is made.



**Q1;** Which of the following biochemical pathways does NOT require oxygen?

A-glycolysis B-krebs cycles C-electron transport system Q2; Where does glycolysis take place?

A-The mitochondria B-The chloroplast C-The cytoplasm

**Q3;** What is the overall end product of the proccess of glycolysis?

A-Two extra ADP B-four extra ATP C-Two extra ATP **Q4;** Which 3-carbon molecule is one of the final products of glycolysis?

A- glucose B- pyruvate C-ATP Answer key:

## <u>SAQs</u>

# Q1- What is the net production of ATP, pyruvate, and NADH when one molecule of glucose undergoes glycolysis?

2 ATP, 2 NADH and 2 pyruvate

### Q2- what is the Glycolysis?

Glycolysis is a type of anaerobic (does not directly require oxygen) cellular respiration that breaks glucose down into two ATP molecules and pyruvic acid (also called pyruvate) and releases electrons. Glycolysis happens in the cytoplasm of the cell.



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