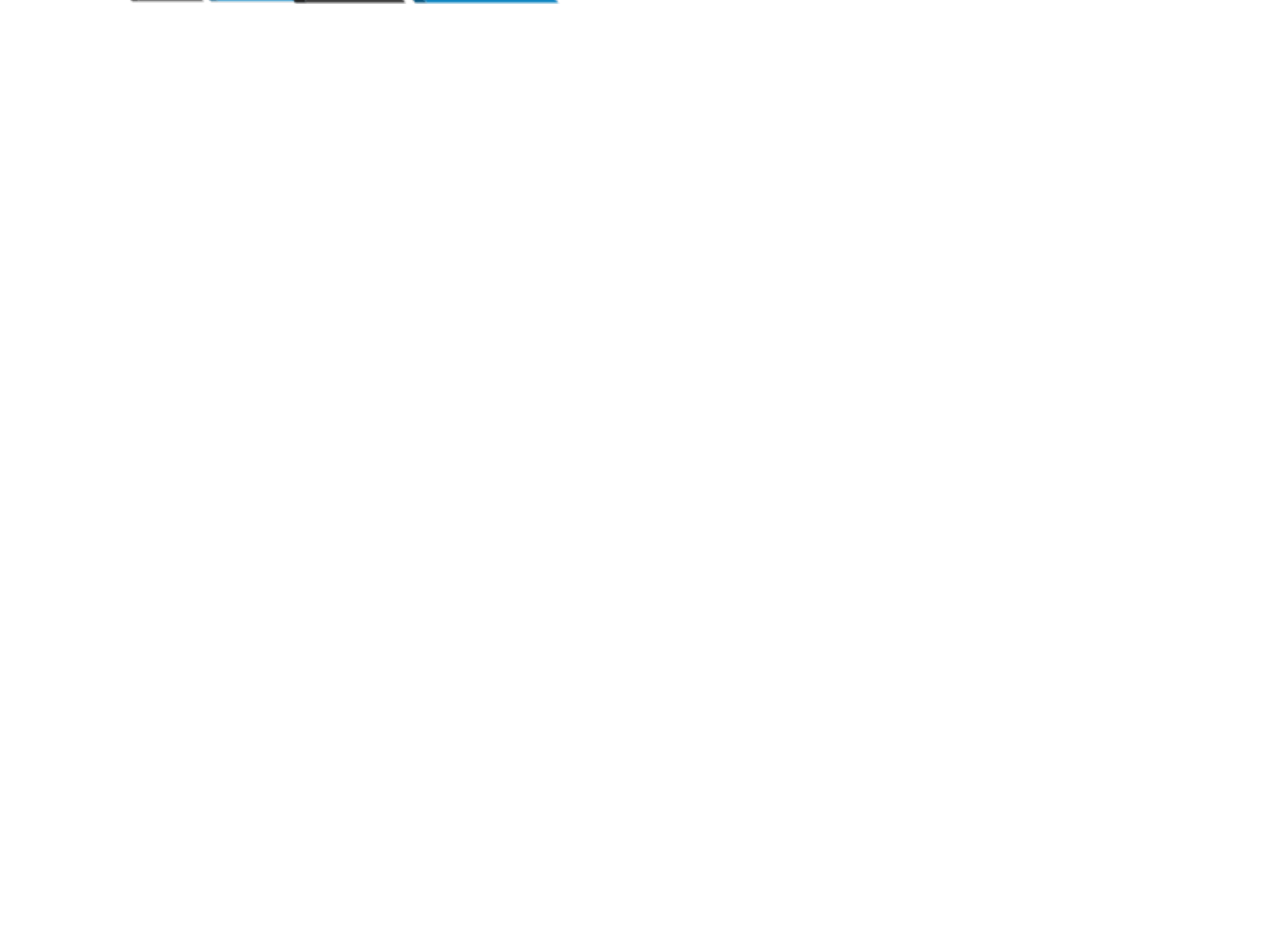




Physical and Psychological Factors Affecting Sport Performance

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Objectives

By the end of this lecture students should be able to :

1. Identify the muscle metabolic systems and the nutrients used in exercise to regenerate ATP:

Phosphocreatine-creatine system,

Glycogen-lactic acid system,

Aerobic system.

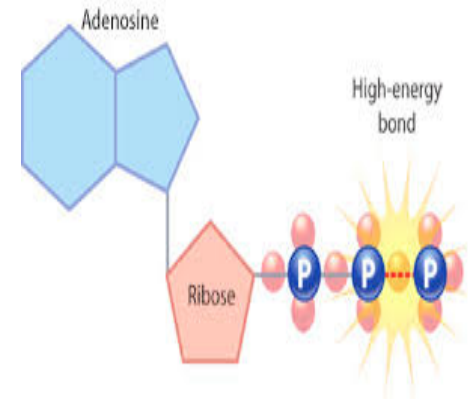
2. Explain the recovery of glycogen and the muscle metabolic systems after exercise

Metabolic pathways in skeletal muscle

➤ Adenosine triphosphate (ATP) is the only energy source used directly by the muscles for contractile activities.

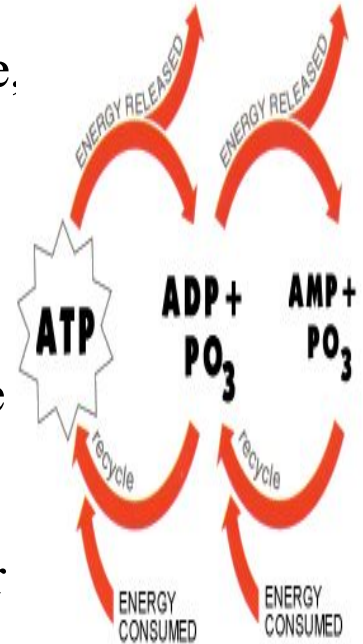
➤ The **demand** and the **mechanism** of ATP production vary according to the type of work done.

- At rest, a muscle cell contains a small store of ATP, but it cannot rely on this ATP once it begins contracting.
- Muscle cell must get ready to ATP production to keep pace with the increased rate of utilization.



Energy for Muscle Contraction

- Mitochondria in the muscle converts glucose, fatty acids, and amino acids into ATP (Adenosine- $\text{PO}_3 \sim \text{PO}_3 \sim \text{PO}_3$).
- Each of the last 2 high energy phosphate bonds in ATP stores 12,000 calories per mole of ATP.
- All ATP stored in the muscle is sufficient for **only 1-2 seconds** of muscle power. (Enough for half of a 50-meter dash).



So resting muscles must have energy stored in

ATP regeneration

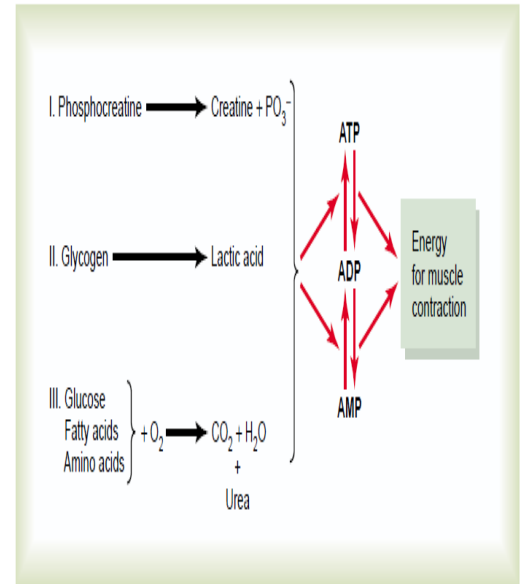
- As we begin to exercise, we almost immediately use our stored ATP within few seconds and it will be changed into ADP.

ATP is regenerated from ADP by 3 pathways:

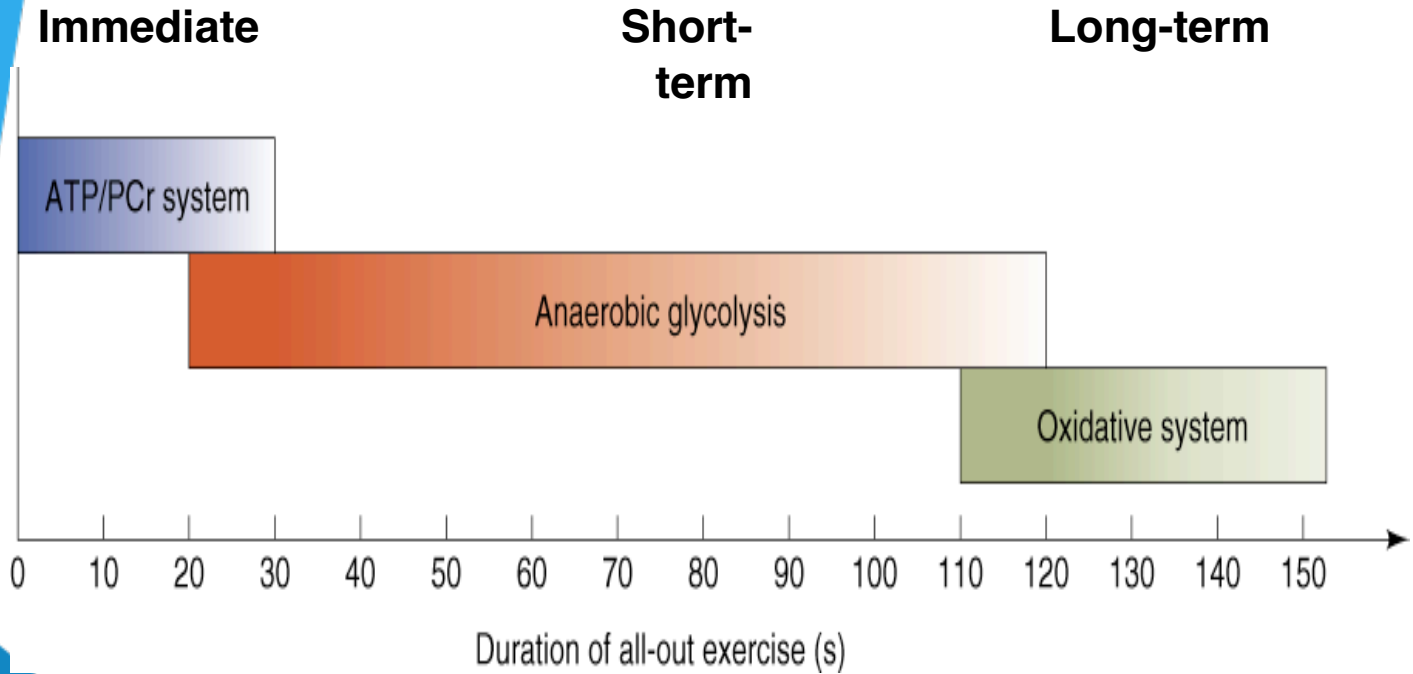
1-Direct phosphorylation of ADP by creatine phosphate (CP).

2-Anaerobic pathway (glycolysis → lactic acid).

3-Aerobic oxidation of fatty acids in the mitochondria

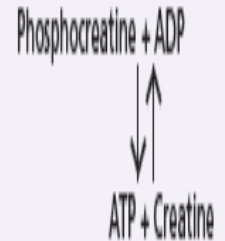


INTERACTION OF ENERGY SYSTEMS



1-Phosphocreatine-creatine system (creatine ~ Po₃) (CP) (Direct phosphorylation):

- CP: Contain high energy phosphate bond of 13,000 calories/mole.
- Most muscle cells have 3-8 times as much CP as ATP
- Energy transfer from CP to ATP occurs within a small fraction of a second .
- Energy of muscle CP is immediately available for contraction just as stored energy of ATP.



Phosphagen energy system:

Formed of combined amounts of cell **ATP**
+ CP

- Together provide maximal muscle power for 5-10 seconds (enough for 100 meter run).
- Energy of phosphagen system is useful for **maximal short bursts of muscle power (5-10 seconds)**. E.g
- Jumping
- Diving
- Weight lifting



II- Anaerobic Glycolysis (Glycogen-Lactic acid system)

Is the primary energy source for peak (sever) muscular activity.

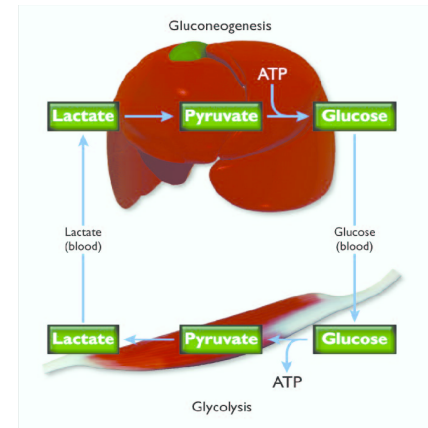
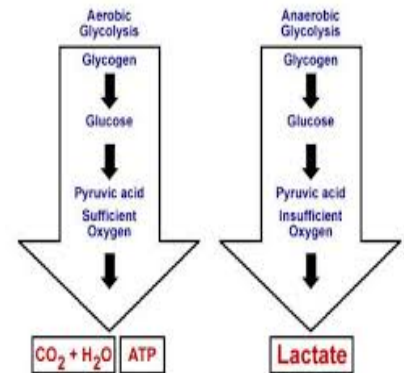
It provides 1.3-1.6 minutes of maximal muscle activity.

Produces **2 ATP** molecules per molecule of glucose coming from blood.

Glucose \square **2 pyruvic acid + 2 ATP**

2 Pyruvic acid \square **2 lactic acid**

Lactic acid diffuses out of muscles \square blood
 \square taken by the liver \square Glucose (by gluconeogenesis) \square blood \square taken by the muscle again.



Anaerobic metabolism is inefficient... Why?

- Large amounts of glucose are used for very small ATP returns.
- Lactic acid is produced whose presence contributes to muscle fatigue.

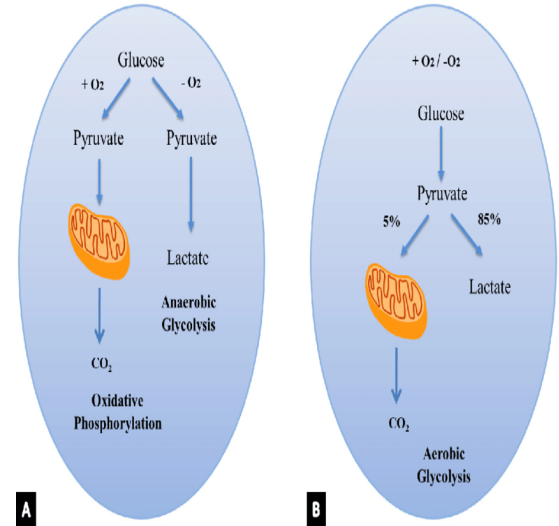
Which type of sports uses anaerobic metabolism?

- Sports that requires bursts of speed and activity, that requires up to 1.3-1.6 minutes e.g
- 400-meter dash
- 100-meter swim
- Tennis
- Soccer



Aerobic Metabolism

- Is the primary energy source of resting muscles (to convert glucose into glycogen and to create energy storage compounds as **CP**).
- During **rest** and **light to moderate** exercise, aerobic metabolism contributes 95% of the necessary ATP.
- It breaks down **fatty acids, pyruvic acid** (made via glycolysis), and **amino acids**.
- Produces maximum 38 ATP molecules per glucose molecule.



Comparing the Energy Supply of the Phosphagen System, Anaerobic and the Aerobic systems

ATP generation per minute are the following:

Moles of ATP/min	
Phosphagen system	4
Glycogen-lactic acid system	2.5
Aerobic system	1

When comparing the same systems for endurance, the relative values are the following:

Time	
Phosphagen system	8-10 seconds
Glycogen-lactic acid system	1.3-1.6 minutes
Aerobic system	Unlimited time (as long as nutrients last)

Figure 9.20 Comparison of energy sources used during short-duration exercise and prolonged-duration exercise.

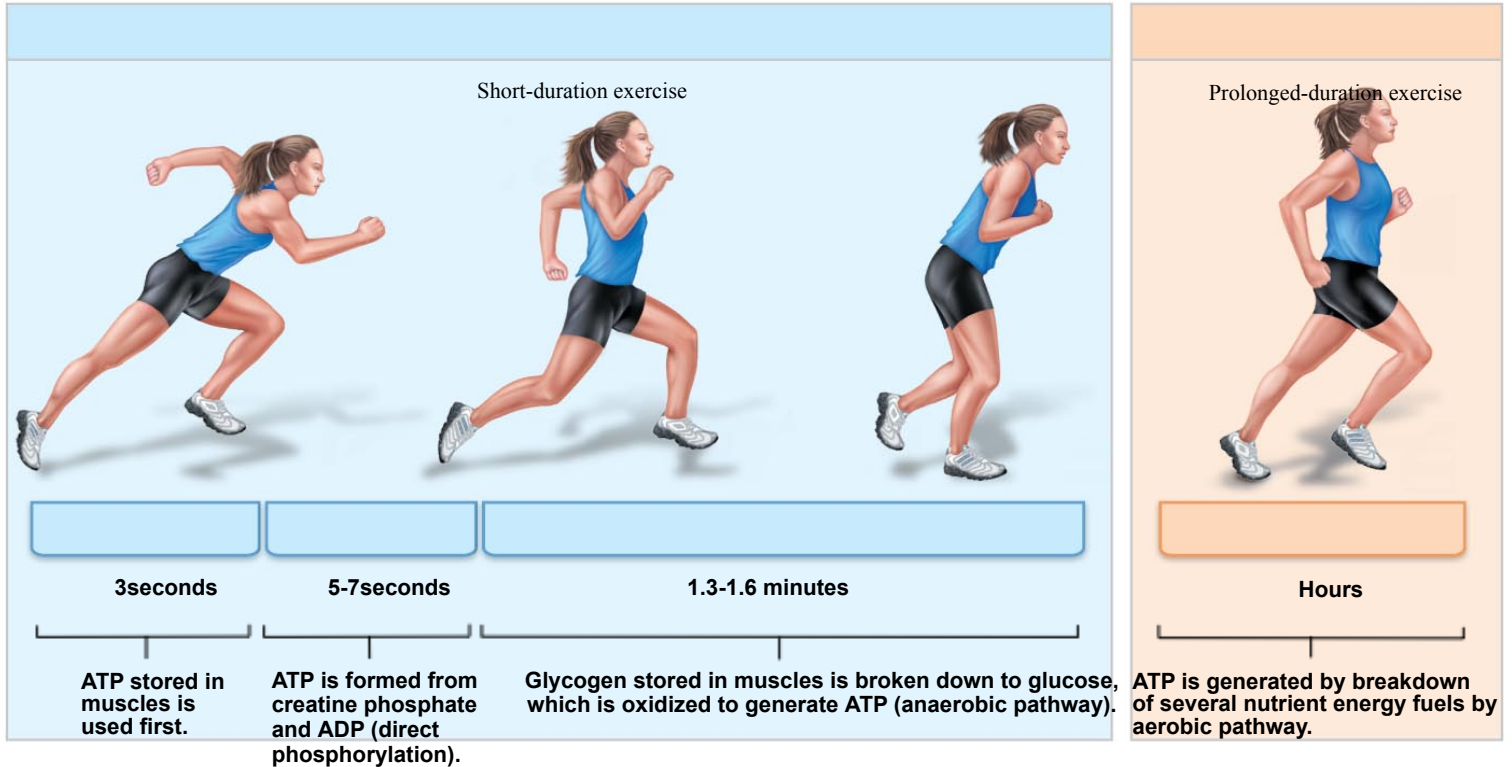


Table 84–1

Energy Systems Used in Various Sports

Phosphagen system, almost entirely

- 100-meter dash
- Jumping
- Weight lifting
- Diving
- Football dashes

Phosphagen and glycogen-lactic acid systems

- 200-meter dash
- Basketball
- Baseball home run
- Ice hockey dashes

Glycogen-lactic acid system, mainly

- 400-meter dash
- 100-meter swim
- Tennis
- Soccer

Glycogen-lactic acid and aerobic systems

- 800-meter dash
- 200-meter swim
- 1500-meter skating
- Boxing
- 2000-meter rowing
- 1500-meter run
- 1-mile run
- 400-meter swim

Aerobic system

- 10,000-meter skating
 - Cross-country skiing
 - Marathon run (26.2 miles, 42.2 km)
 - Jogging
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Nutrients used during muscle activity

- During early stages of exercise the body uses glycogen of muscle and liver. Also in intense muscle activity the body uses fats and very little amino acids.
- If endurance athletic events last longer than 4-5 hours & during exhaustion muscle glycogen is depleted & muscle depend on fats.
- Glucose solution given to athletes to drink during athletic event supply 30-40% of the energy required during prolonged event as marathon race.

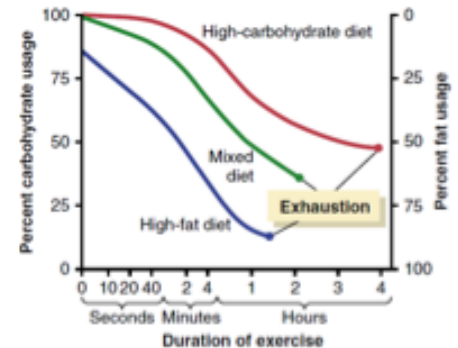


Figure 85-5 The effect of duration of exercise, as well as type of diet, on relative percentages of carbohydrate or fat used for energy by muscles. (Data from Fox EL: Sports Physiology, Philadelphia: Saunders College Publishing, 1979.)



Recovery of muscle glycogen

-Reduction of glycogen stores by heavy exercise needs days to be replenished. *(unlike ATP, CP, and removal of lactic acid which takes shorter periods).*

-On high carbohydrate (CHO) diet, recovery occurs in 2 days.

-On high fat, high protein or on no food all show very little recovery even after 5 days.

Message:

1- Athlete should have high CHO diet before exercise.

2- Not to participate in exhausting exercise during 48 hours preceding the event.

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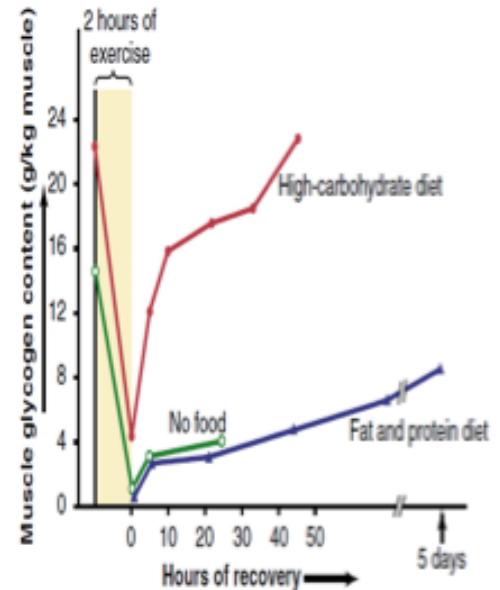


Figure 85-4 The effect of diet on the rate of muscle glycogen replenishment after prolonged exercise. (Modified from Fox EL: Sports Physiology. Philadelphia: Saunders College Publishing, 1979.)

Recovery of muscle metabolic systems after exercise

- Energy from CP reconstitute ATP.
- Energy from glycogen-lactic acid system reconstitute the phosphagen system (CP+ATP).
- Energy from oxidative metabolism of aerobic system reconstitute all other systems:-glycogen-lactic acid system & CP&ATP

Lactic acid causes fatigue and burning sensation in the muscles so it should be removed:

When adequate amounts of energy are available from oxidative metabolism, removal of lactic acid is achieved in two ways:

- 1-Portion converted into pyruvic acid that is oxidized by all body tissues for energy .
- 2-The major remaining part is changed into glucose in the liver to replenish glycogen stores of muscles.



Thank you

