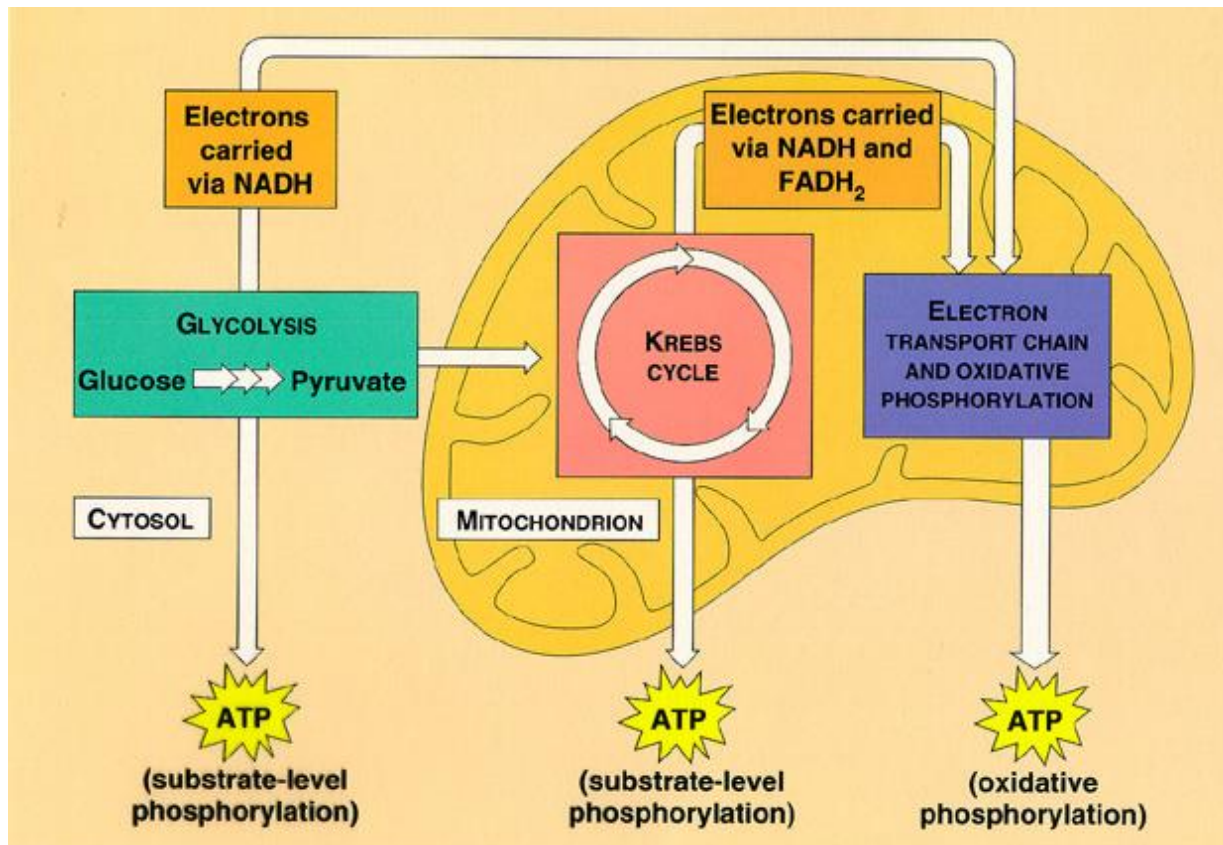


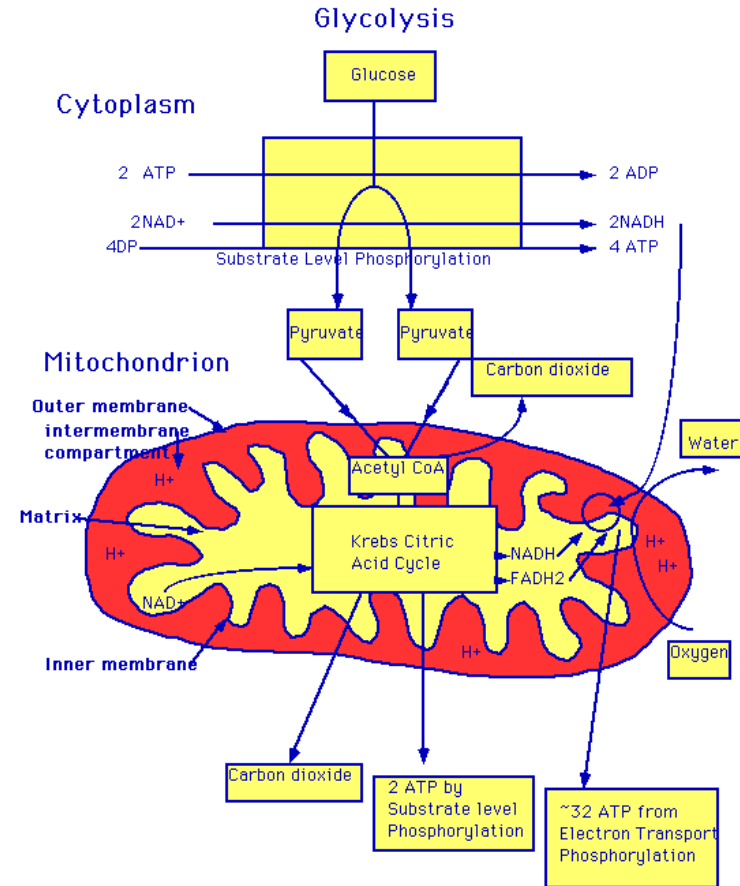
# Chapter 07

## Cellular Respiration



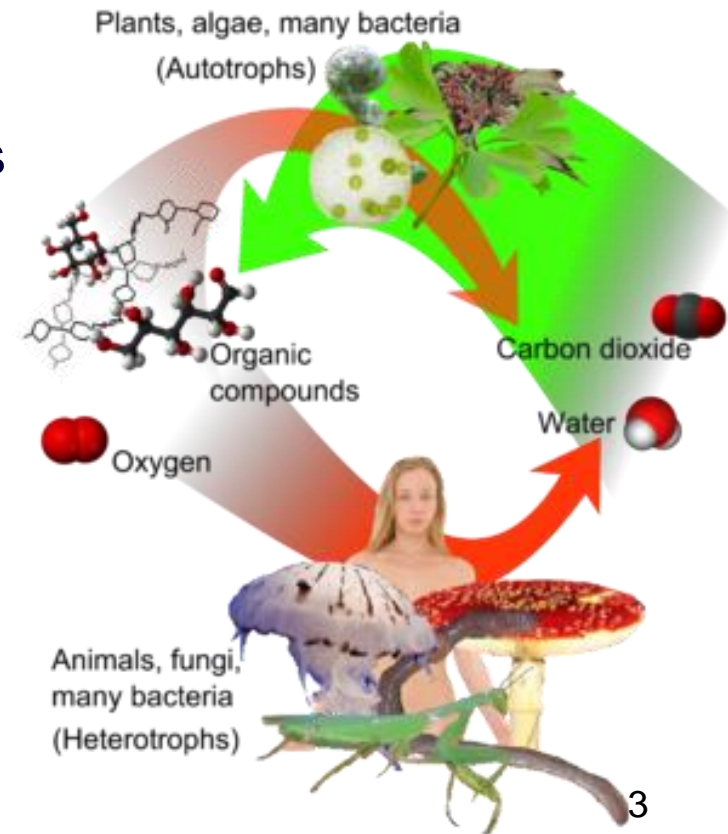
# \*\*Important study hints\*\*

- Draw out processes on paper and label structures and steps
- Keep working on those flash cards!



# Respiration

- Organisms can be classified based on how they obtain energy:
  - **Autotrophs**
    - Able to produce their own organic molecules through photosynthesis
  - **Heterotrophs**
    - Live on organic compounds produced by other organisms
- All organisms use cellular respiration to extract energy from organic molecules

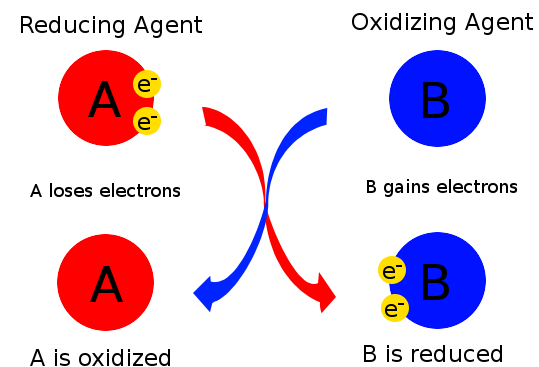


# Cellular respiration

- Cellular respiration is a series of reactions...

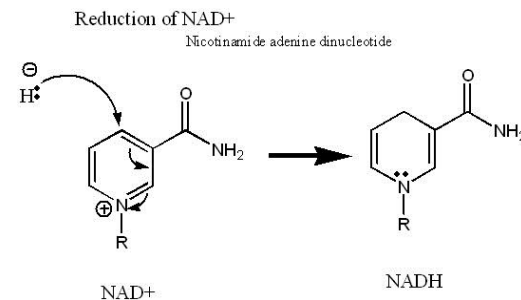
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- Oxidation** – loss of electrons
- Reduction** – gain of electron



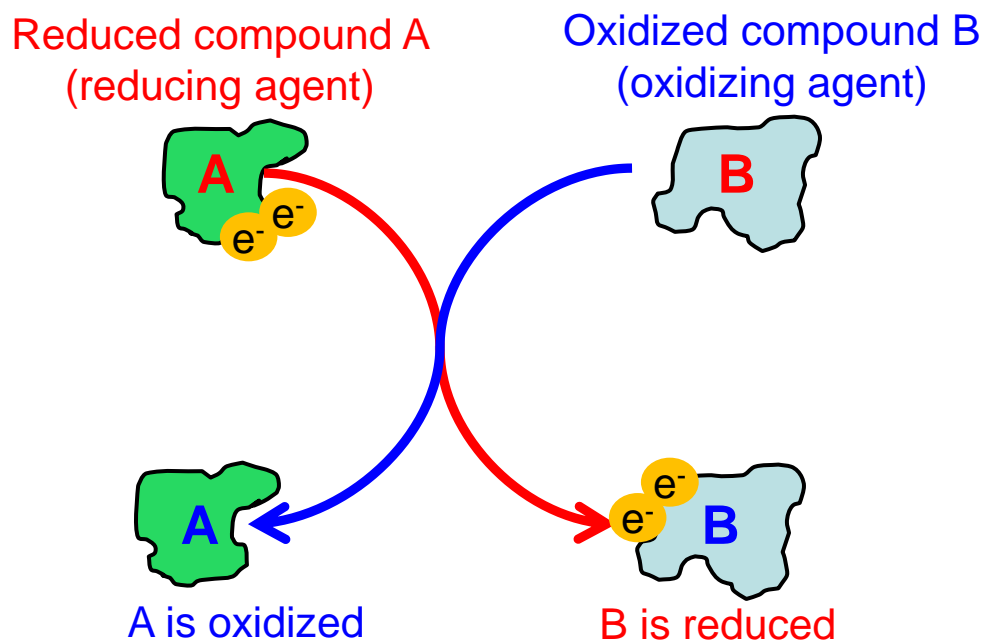
- Dehydrogenation** – lost electrons are accompanied by protons

- A hydrogen atom is lost (1 electron, 1 proton)



# Redox

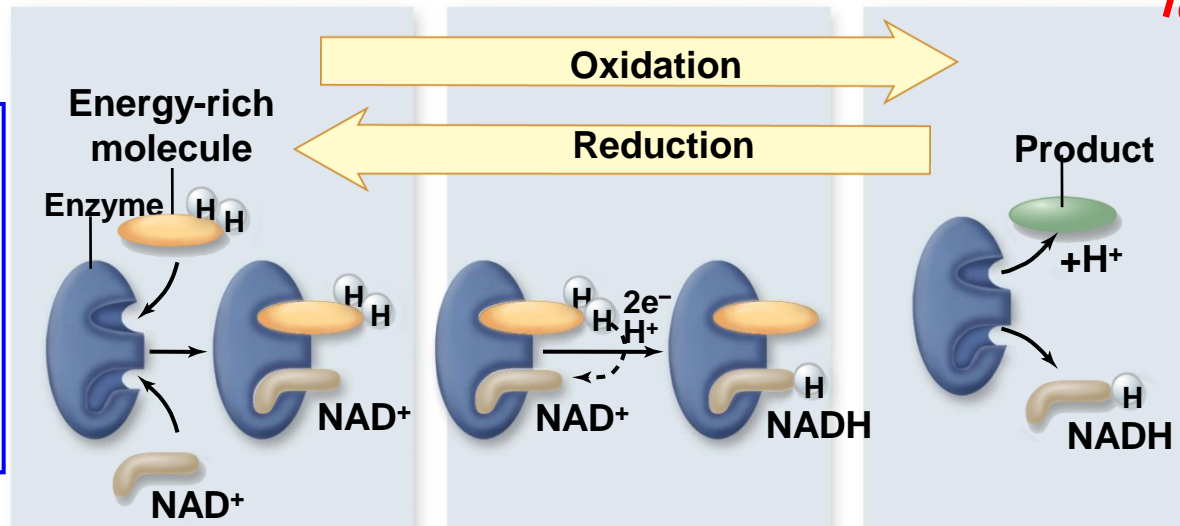
- During redox reactions, electrons carry energy from one molecule to another
  - Redox reactions are often coupled with an electron carrier (NAD<sup>+</sup>)



# Redox

- Nicotinamide adenosine dinucleotide (**NAD<sup>+</sup>**)
  - An electron carrier
  - NAD<sup>+</sup> accepts 2 electrons and 1 proton from another molecule to become NADH
  - Reaction is reversible

As energy-rich molecule is oxidized, NAD<sup>+</sup> is reduced to NADH

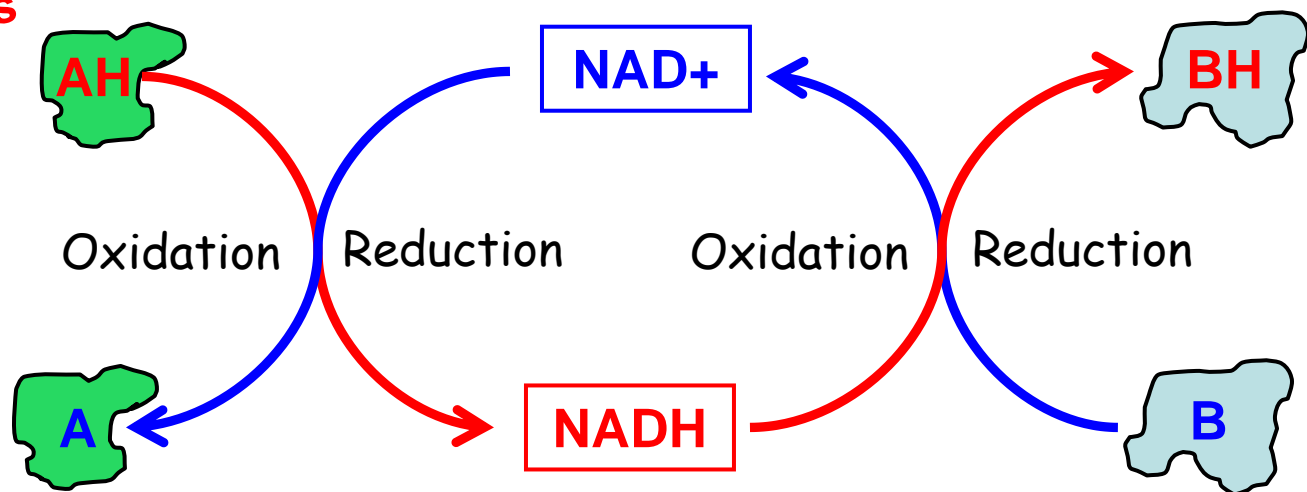


*To follow the e<sup>-</sup>,  
follow the H's*



- In overall cellular energy harvest
  - Dozens of redox reactions take place
  - Number of electron acceptors, including  $\text{NAD}^+$
- In the end, **high-energy electrons** from initial chemical bonds have lost much of their energy
  - **Electrons** are transferred to a final electron acceptor

*To follow the  $e^-$ ,  
follow the H's*





# Types of Cellular Respiration

- **Aerobic respiration**
  - Final electron receptor is oxygen ( $O_2$ )
- **Anaerobic respiration**
  - Final electron acceptor is an inorganic molecule (not  $O_2$ )
- **Fermentation**
  - Final electron acceptor is an organic molecule, such as lactic acid or ethanol

# Aerobic respiration

To follow the e<sup>-</sup>,  
follow the H's



- Free energy = – 686 kcal/mol of glucose
  - Free energy can be even higher than this in a cell
  - This large amount of energy must be released in small steps rather than all at once.
  - $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_6$  (general form for 6 carbon sugar such as glucose)

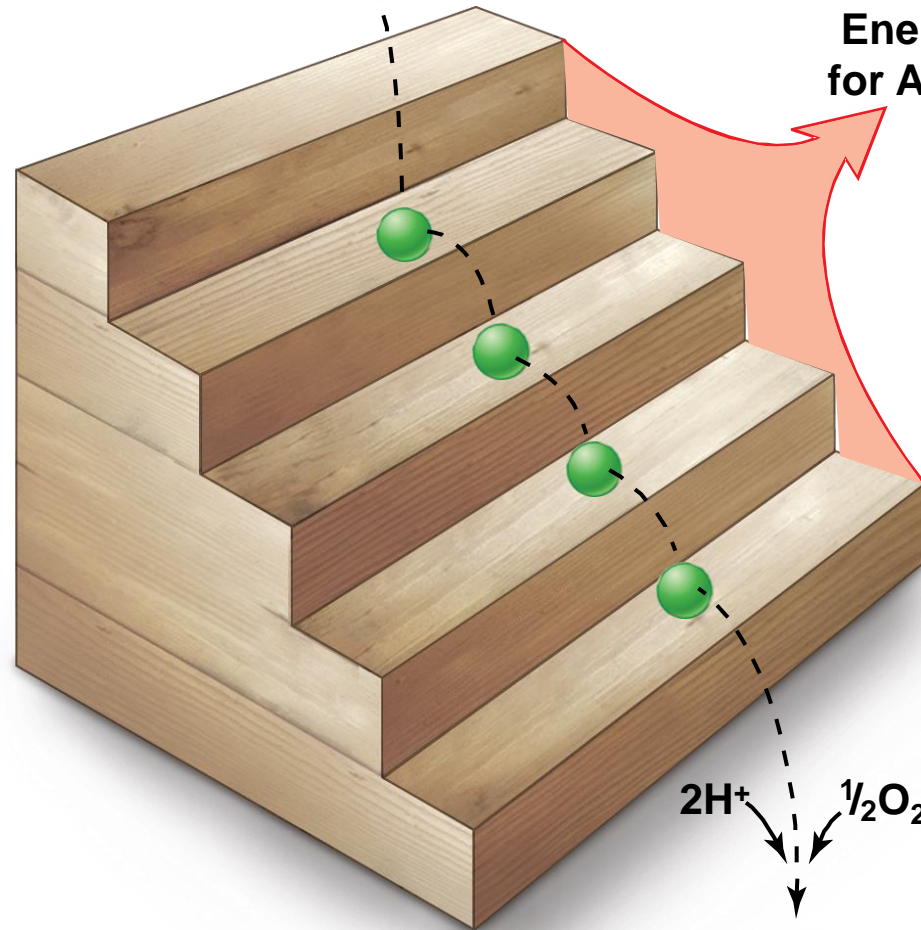
Electrons from food



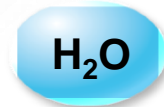
High energy



Low energy



Energy released  
for ATP synthesis

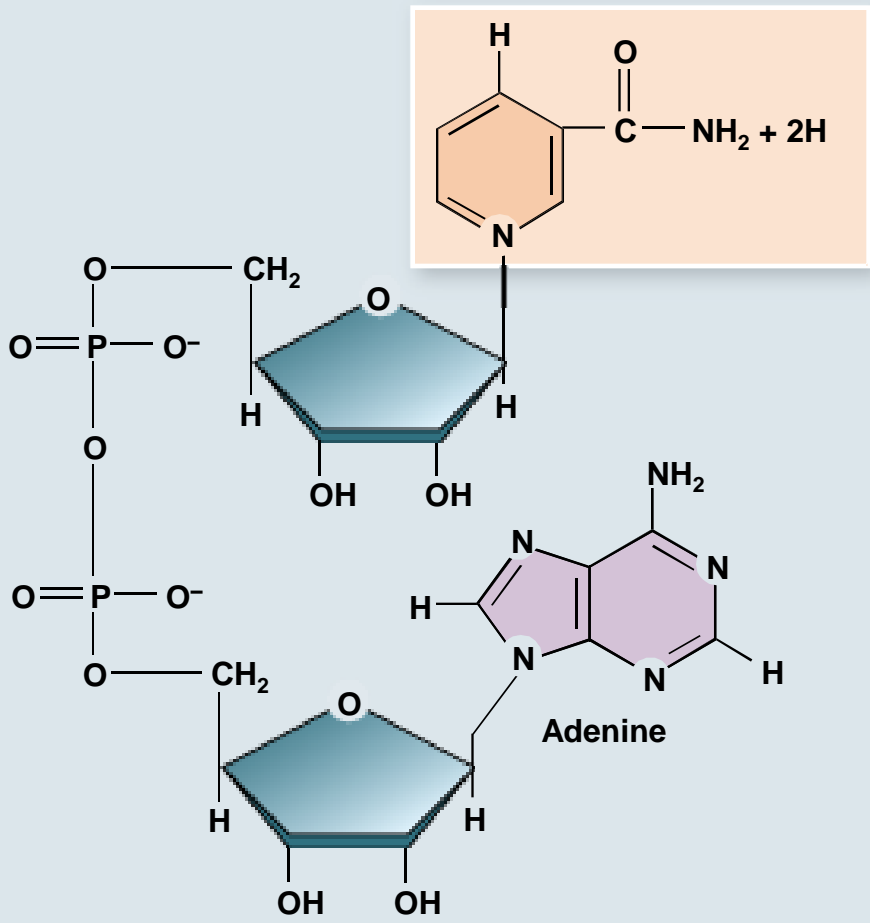


# Electron carriers

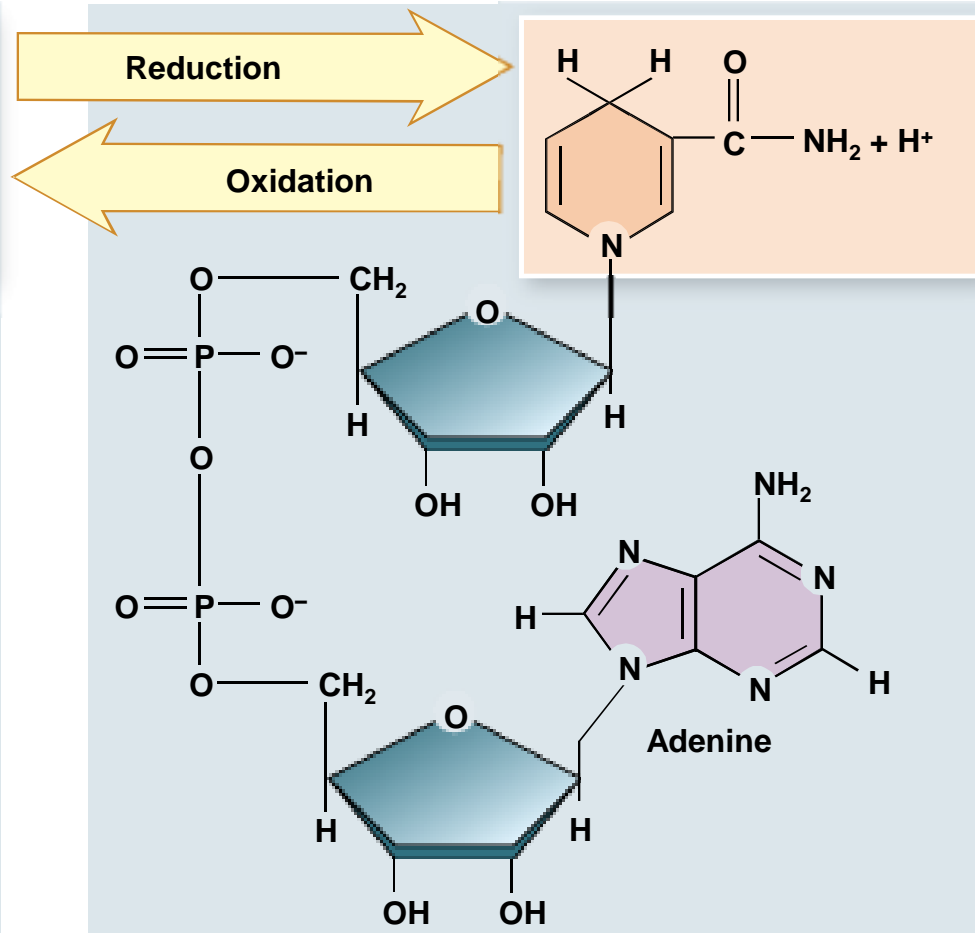
- Many types of carriers used
  - Soluble, membrane-bound, move within membrane
- All carriers can be easily oxidized and reduced
  - Some carry just electrons, some electrons and protons
  - $\text{NAD}^+$  acquires 2 electrons and a proton to become NADH

To follow the e<sup>-</sup>,  
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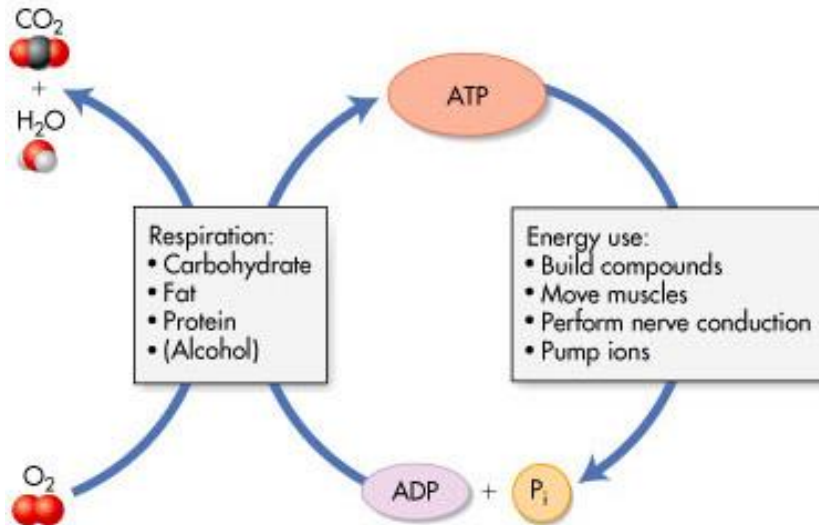
NAD<sup>+</sup>: Oxidized form of nicotinamide



NADH: Reduced form of nicotinamide

# ATP

- Cells use ATP to drive endergonic reactions
  - $\Delta G$  (free energy) =  $-7.3$  kcal/mol
  - *Compare with  $\Delta G$  from complete combustion of glucose =  $-686$  kcal/mol*

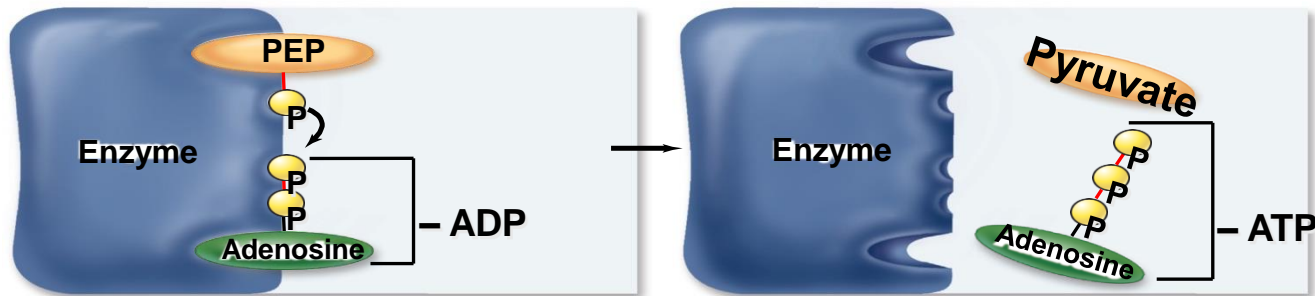


Cellular reactions can't use all the energy of glucose breakdown at once, so cells must use stepwise breakdown and intermediaries such as ATP

- 2 mechanisms for ATP synthesis

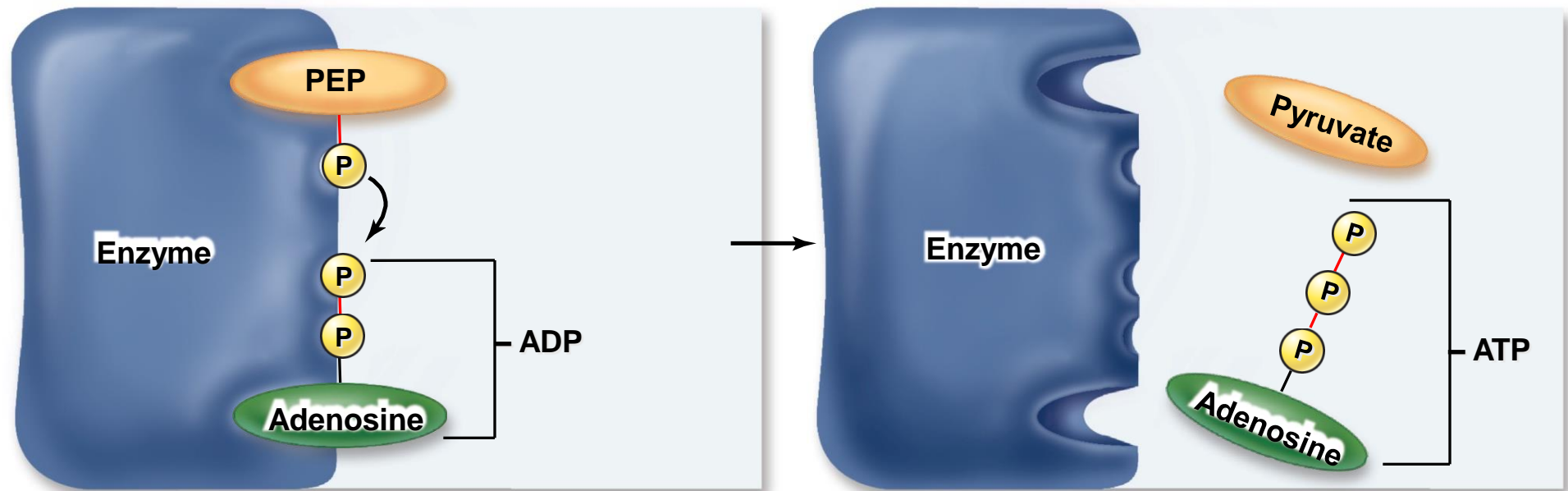
1. **Substrate-level phosphorylation**

- Transfer phosphate group directly from substrate molecule to ADP
- During glycolysis and Krebs cycle



2. **Oxidative phosphorylation**

- ATP synthase uses energy from a proton gradient in the electron transport chain

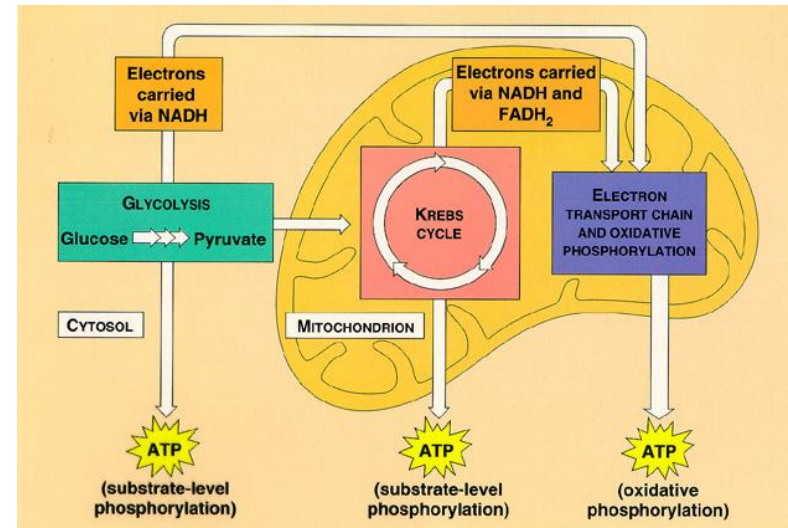


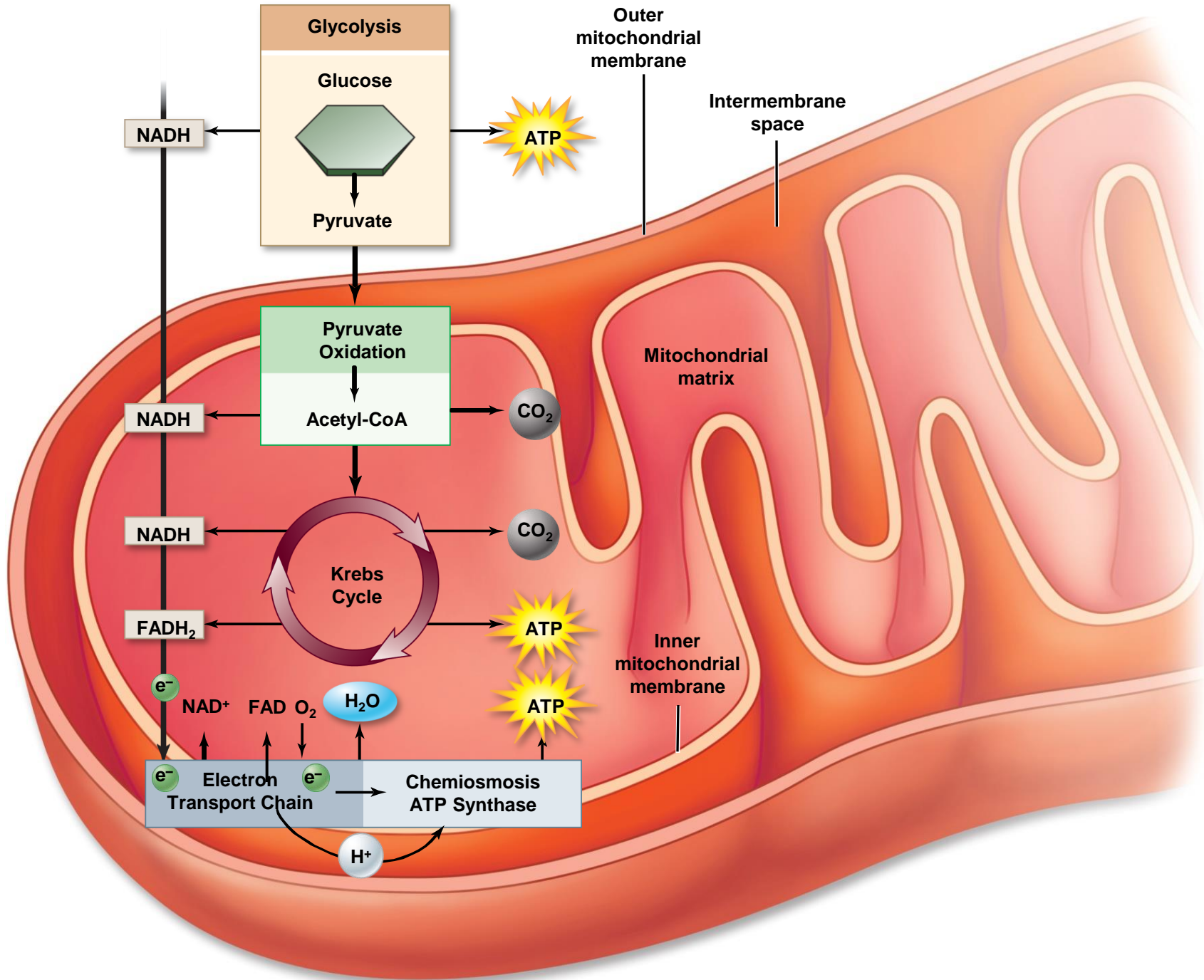


# Oxidation of Glucose

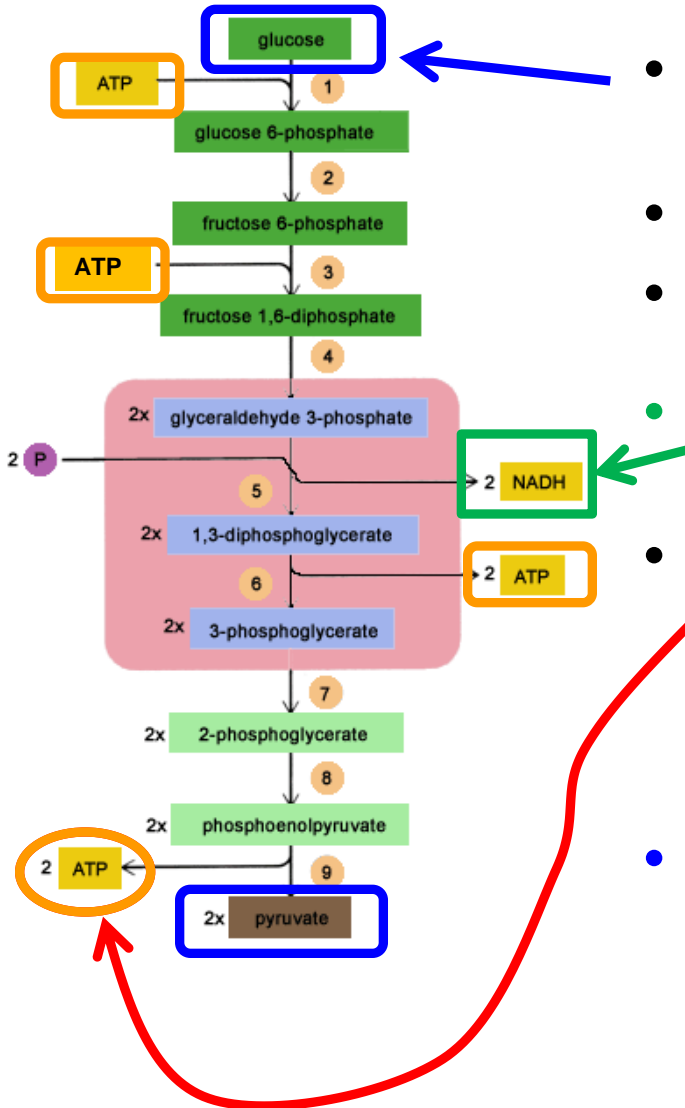
The complete oxidation of glucose proceeds in stages:

1. **Glycolysis**
2. **Pyruvate oxidation**
3. **Krebs cycle**
4. **Electron transport chain & chemiosmosis**

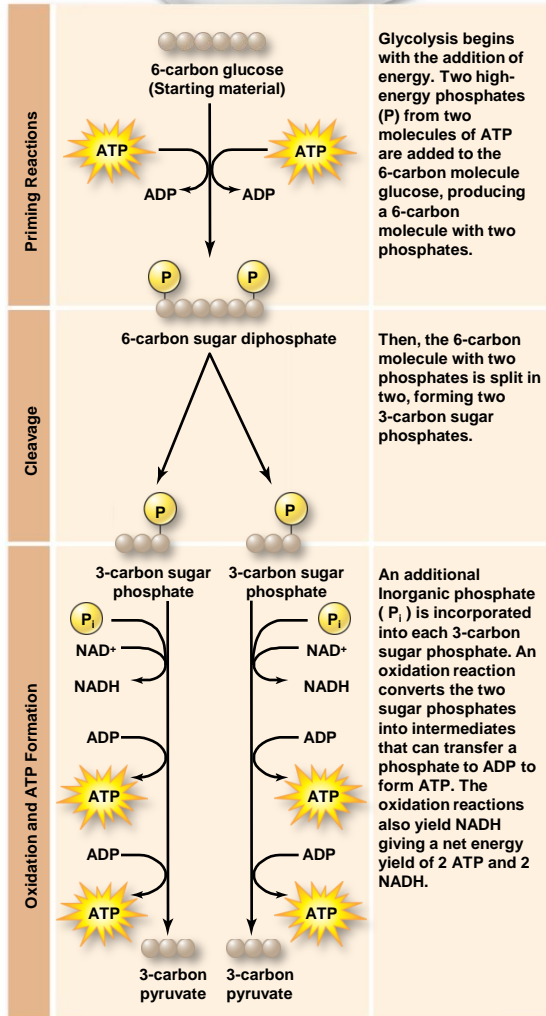
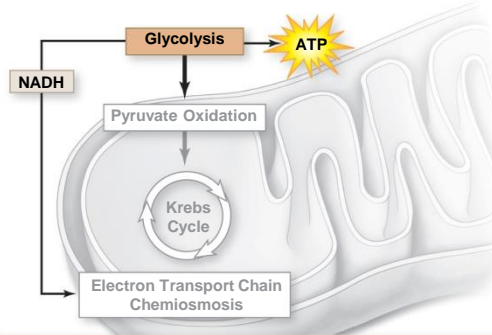


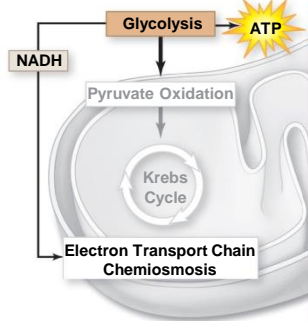


# Glycolysis

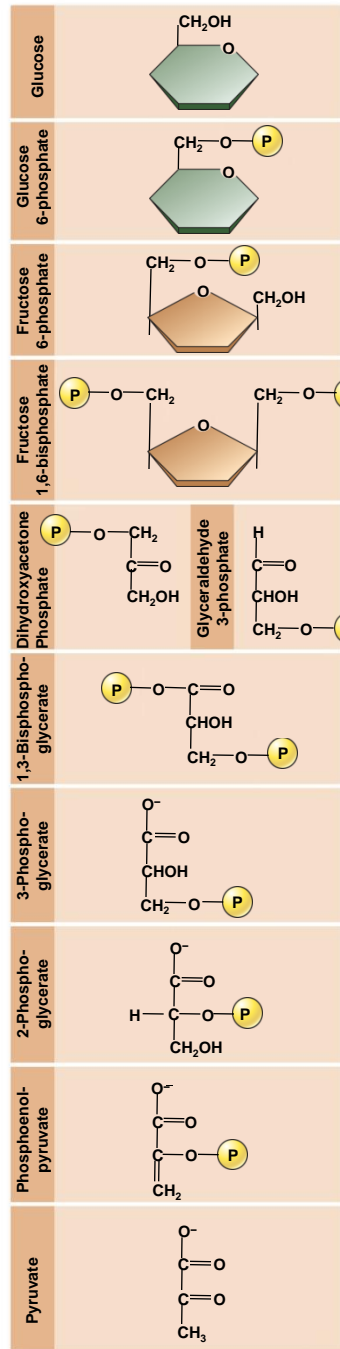
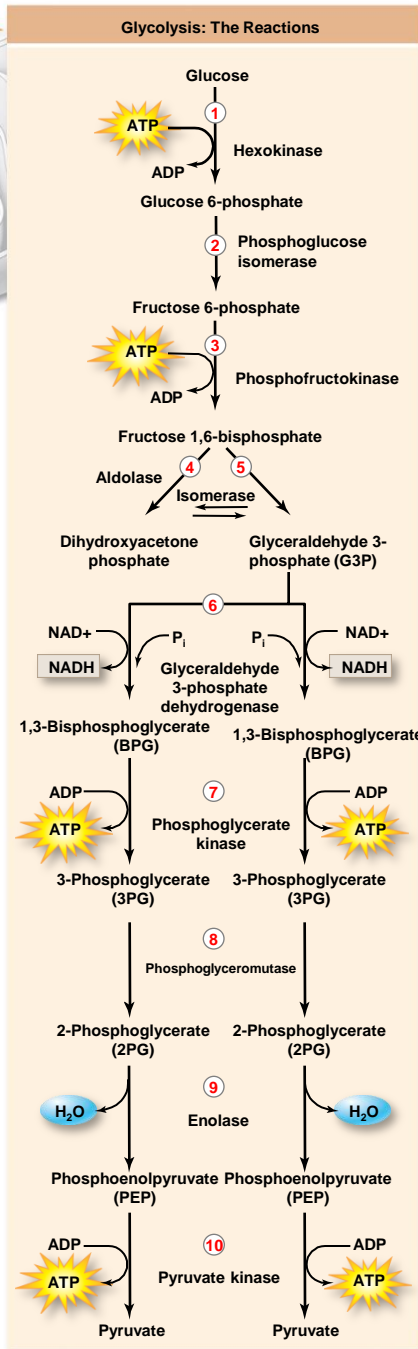


- Converts **1 glucose** (6 carbons) to **2 pyruvate** (3 carbons)
- 10-step biochemical pathway
- Occurs in the cytoplasm
- **2 NADH produced** by the reduction of  $\text{NAD}^+$
- Net production of **2 ATP molecules** by **substrate-level phosphorylation**
  - (uses **2 ATPs** and produces **4 total** = 2 net ATPs)
- **Fun fact**
  - *Only process that occurs in red blood cells since they do not have mitochondria!*



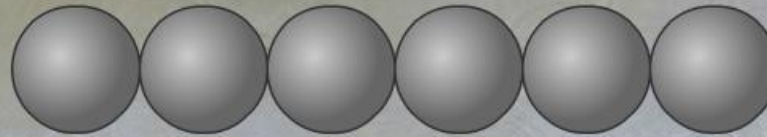


1. Phosphorylation of glucose by ATP.
- 2-3. Rearrangement, followed by a second ATP phosphorylation.
- 4-5. The 6-carbon molecule is split into two 3-carbon molecules—one G3P, another that is converted into G3P in another reaction.
6. Oxidation followed by phosphorylation produces two NADH molecules and two molecules of BPG, each with one high-energy phosphate bond.
7. Removal of high-energy phosphate by two ADP molecules produces two ATP molecules and leaves two 3PG molecules.
- 8-9. Removal of water yields two PEP molecules, each with a high-energy phosphate bond.
10. Removal of high-energy phosphate by two ADP molecules produces two ATP molecules and two pyruvate molecules.





# How Glycolysis Works



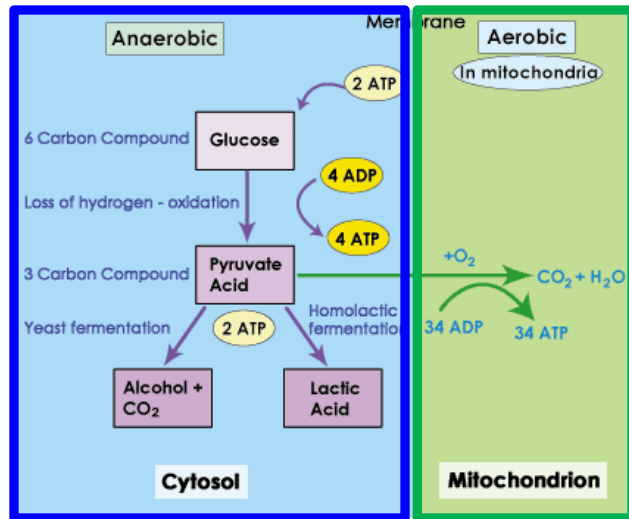
6-carbon glucose

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Cells derive energy from the oxidation of nutrients such as glucose. The oxidation of glucose to pyruvate occurs through a series of steps called glycolysis.

# NADH must be recycled

- For glycolysis to continue, NADH must be recycled to  $\text{NAD}^+$  by either:



## 1. Aerobic respiration

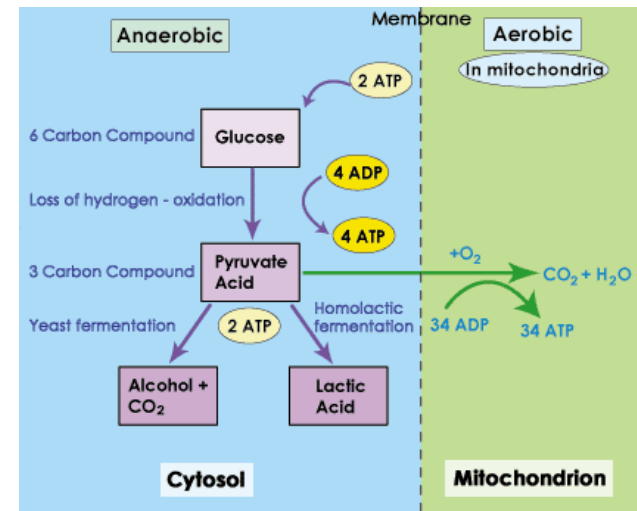
- **Oxygen** is available as the final electron acceptor
- Produces significantly more ATP

## 2. Fermentation

- Occurs when oxygen is not available
- Organic molecule is the final electron acceptor

# Fate of pyruvate

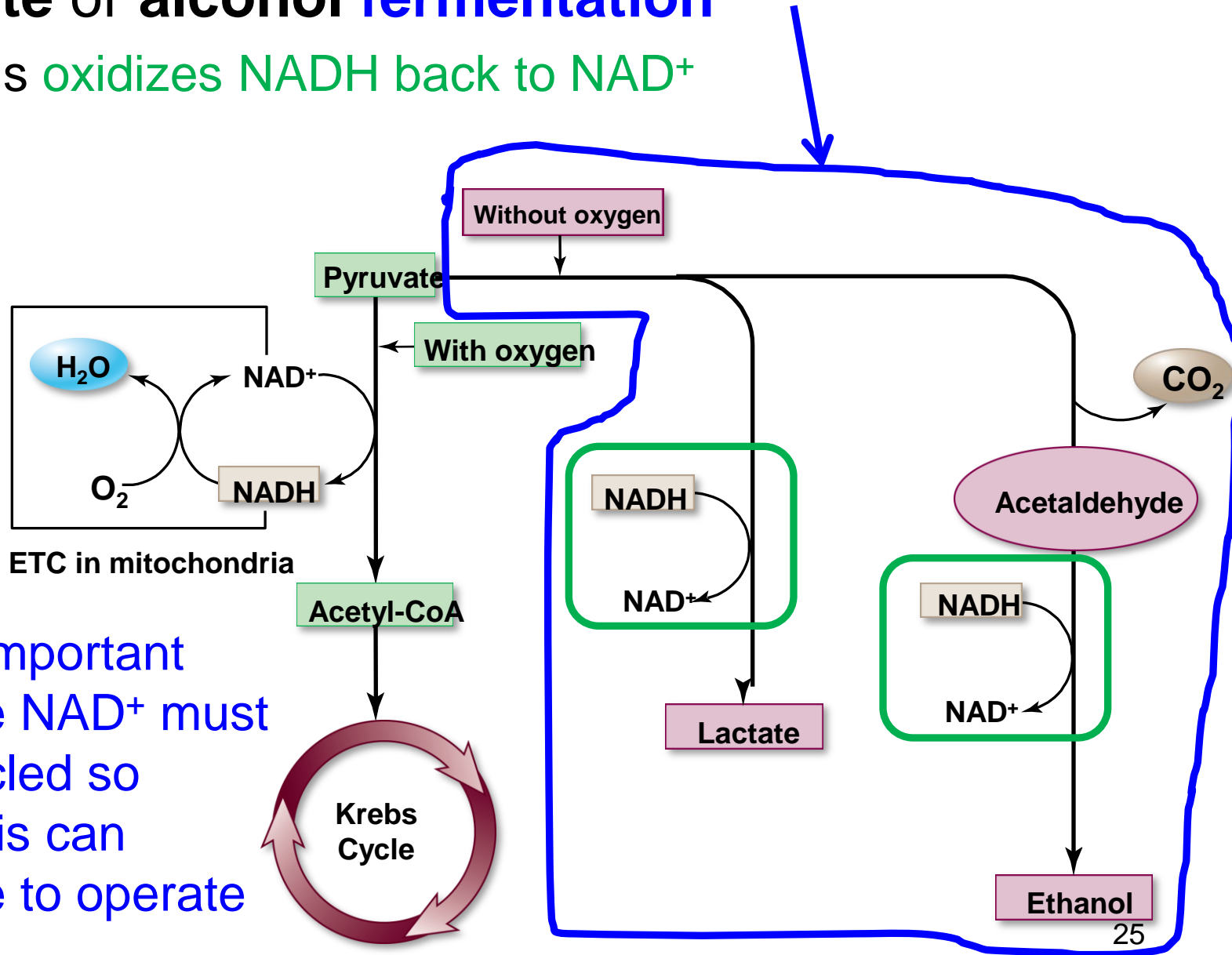
- Depends on oxygen availability
  - When oxygen is present, pyruvate is oxidized to acetyl-CoA which enters the Krebs cycle
    - Aerobic respiration
  - Without oxygen, pyruvate is reduced in order to oxidize NADH back to  $\text{NAD}^+$ 
    - Fermentation





– Without oxygen, pyruvate is reduced by **lactate** or **alcohol fermentation**

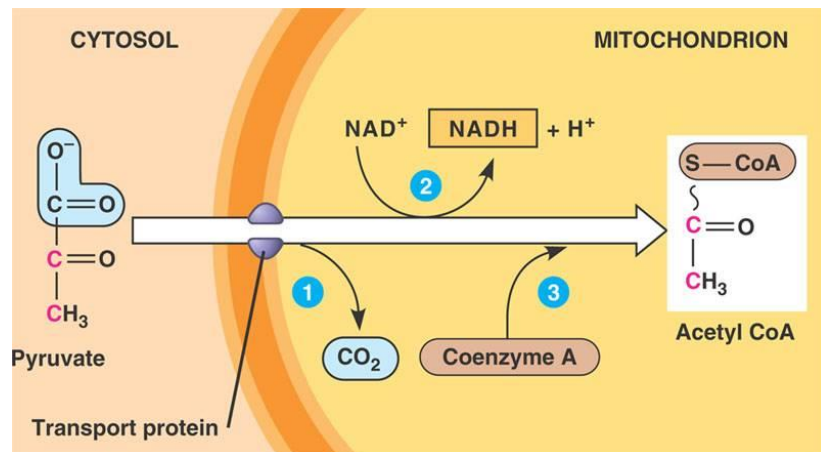
- This oxidizes NADH back to NAD<sup>+</sup>



- This is important because NAD<sup>+</sup> must be recycled so glycolysis can continue to operate

# Pyruvate Oxidation

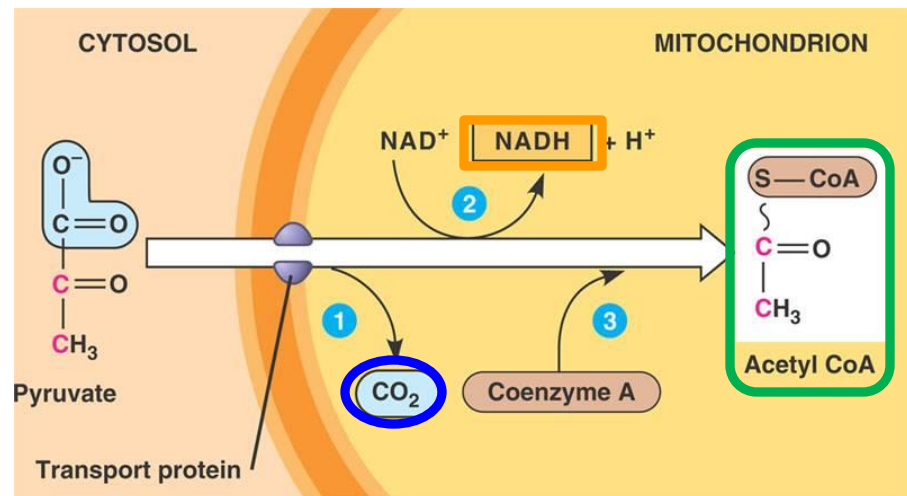
- In the presence of oxygen, pyruvate is oxidized
  - Occurs in the mitochondria in eukaryotes
    - multienzyme complex called pyruvate dehydrogenase catalyzes the reaction
  - Occurs at the plasma membrane in prokaryotes

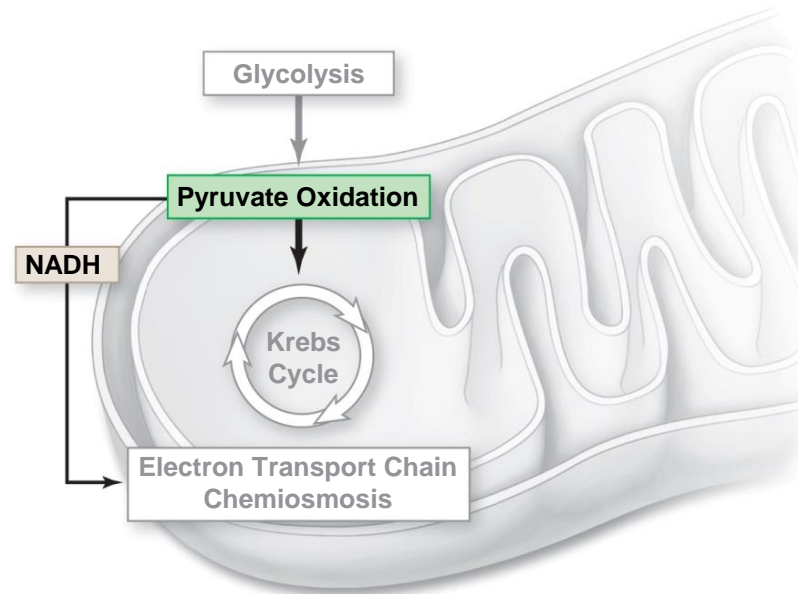


# Products of pyruvate oxidation

- For each 3-carbon pyruvate molecule:
  - 1 **CO<sub>2</sub>**
    - Decarboxylation by pyruvate dehydrogenase
  - 1 **NADH**
  - 1 **Acetyl-CoA** which consists of 2 carbons from pyruvate attached to coenzyme A
    - Acetyl-CoA proceeds to the Krebs cycle

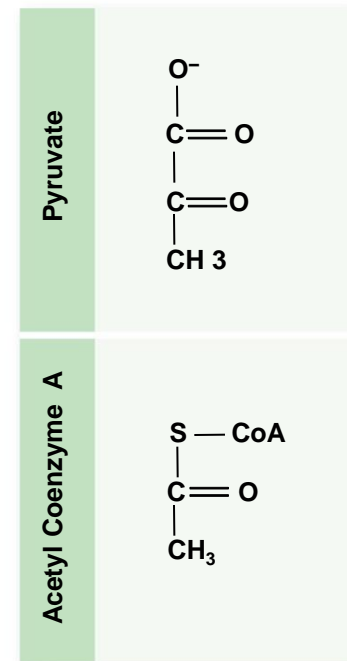
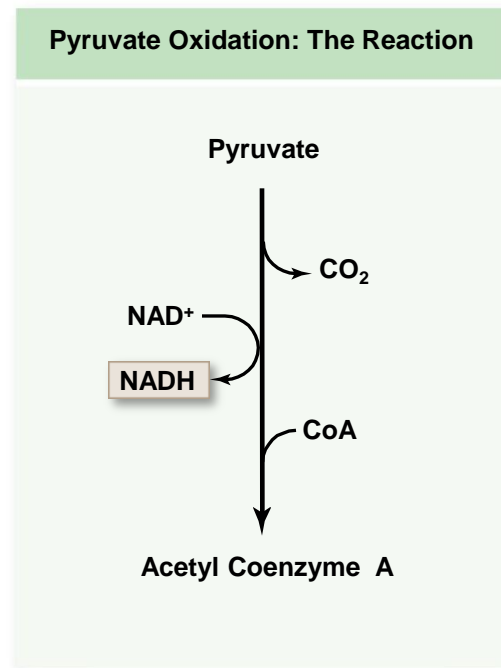
\*\*\*Double each of these products per glucose molecule





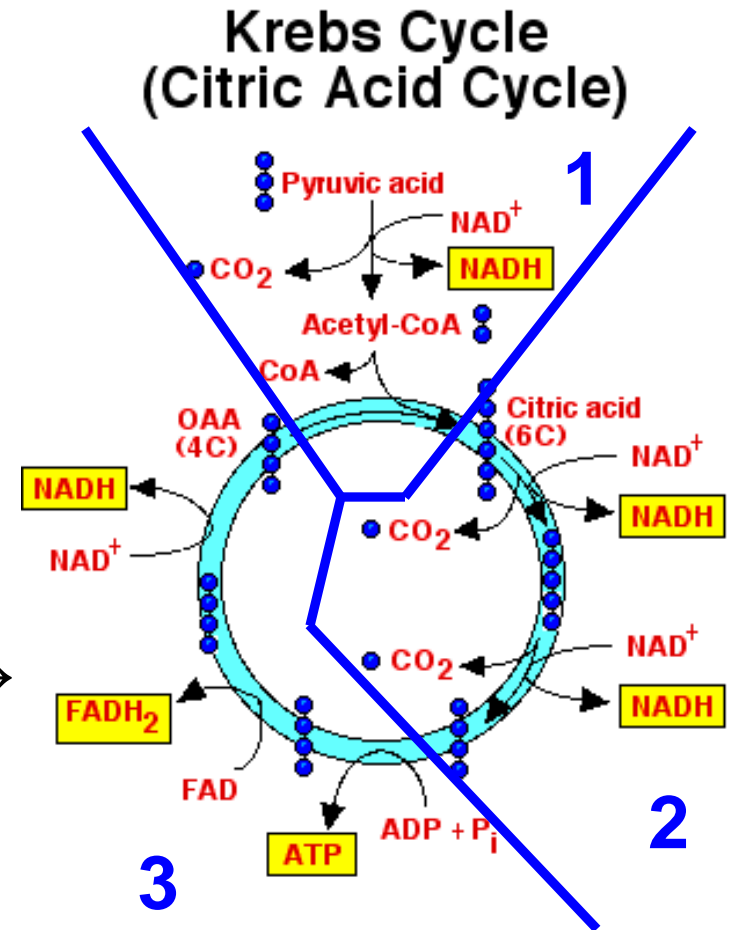
Per glucose molecule =

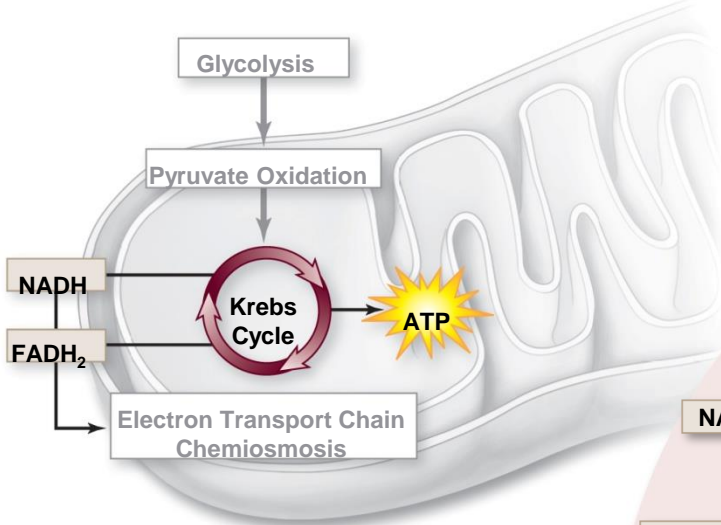
- 2 CO<sub>2</sub>
- 2 NADHs
- 2 Acetyl CoA



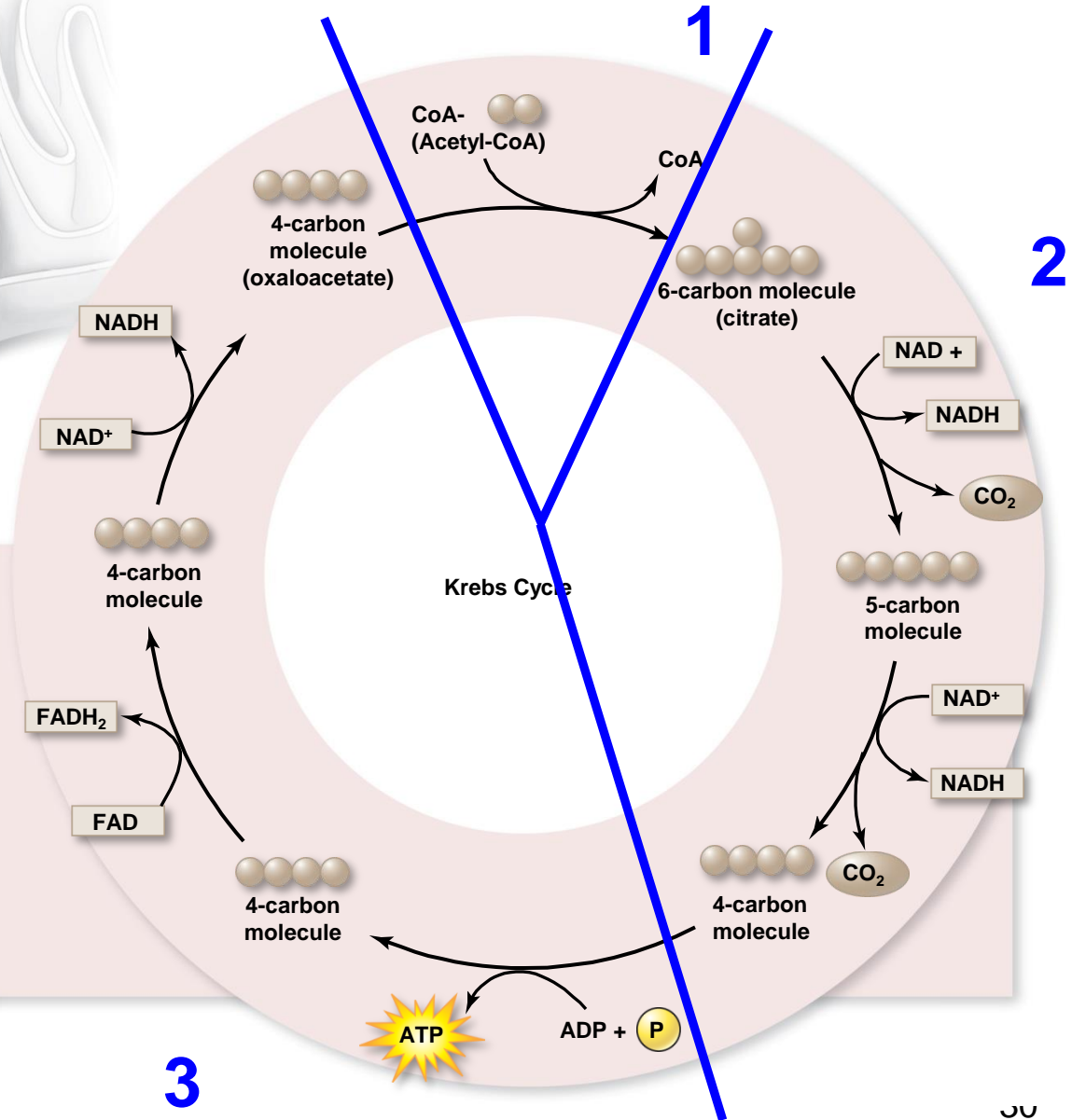
# Krebs Cycle

- Oxidizes the acetyl group from pyruvate
- Occurs in the matrix of the mitochondria
- Biochemical pathway of 9 steps in three segments
  1. Acetyl-CoA + oxaloacetate → citrate
  2. Citrate rearrangement and decarboxylation
  3. Regeneration of oxaloacetate





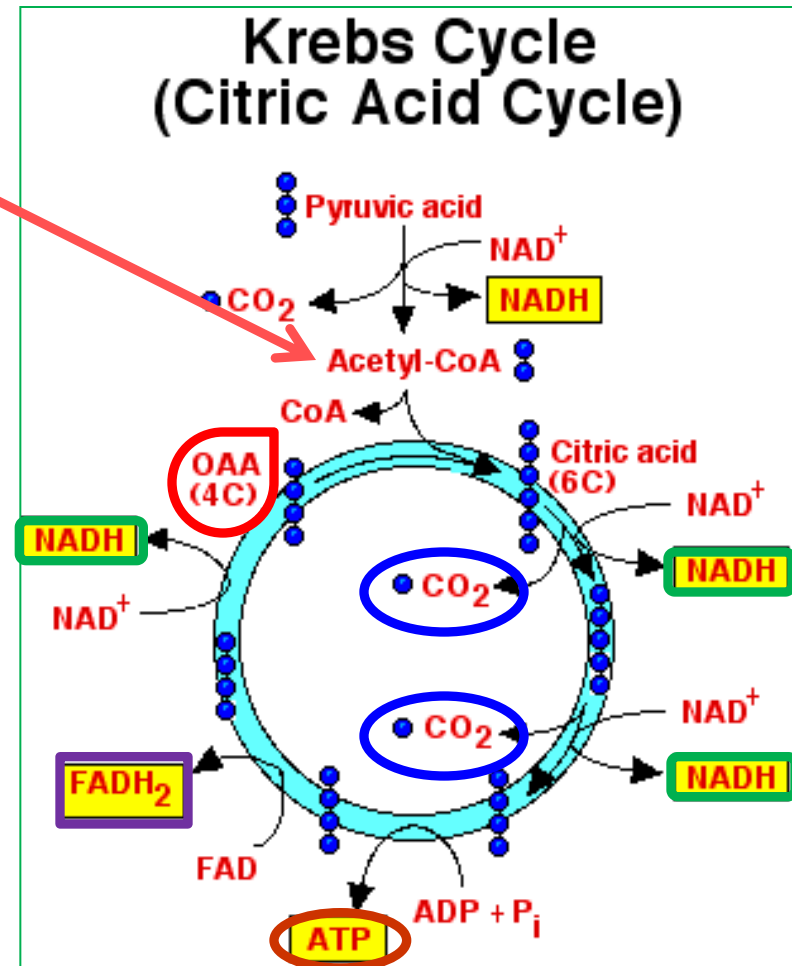
Pyruvate from glycolysis is oxidized Krebs Cycle into an acetyl group that feeds into the Krebs cycle. The 2-C acetyl group combines with 4-C oxaloacetate to produce the 6-C compound citrate (thus this is also called the citric acid cycle). Oxidation reactions are combined with two decarboxylations to produce NADH, CO<sub>2</sub>, and a new 4-carbon molecule. Two additional oxidations generate another NADH and an FADH<sub>2</sub> and regenerate the original 4-C oxaloacetate.

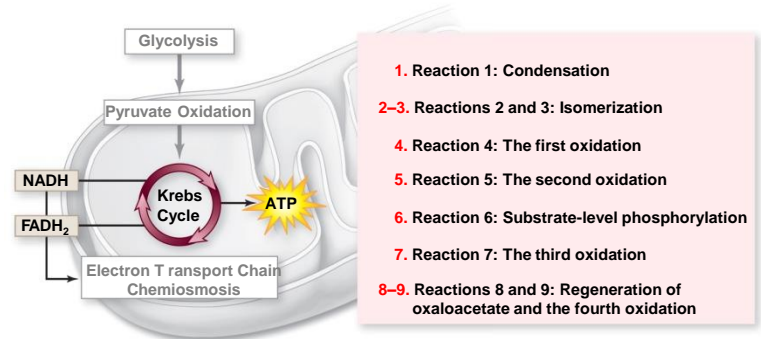


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# Krebs Cycle

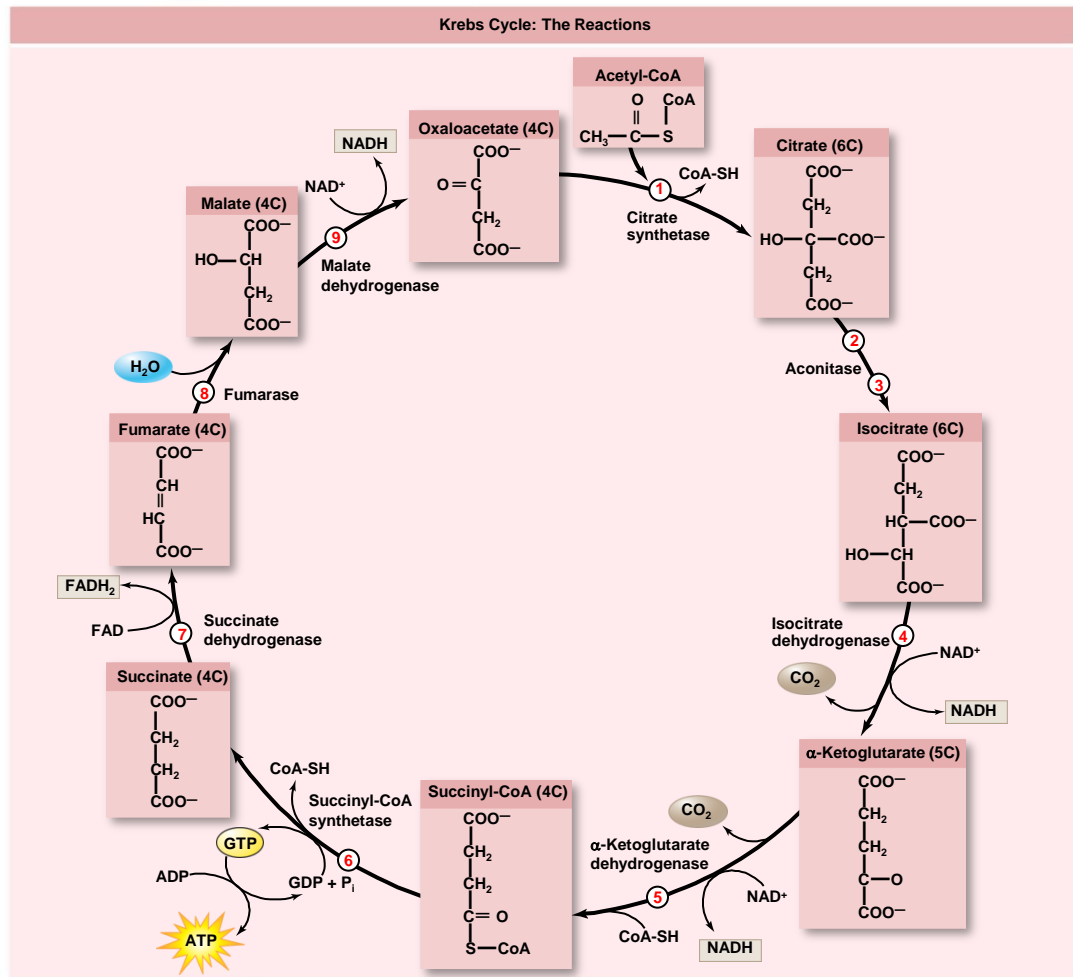
- For each **Acetyl-CoA** entering:
  - Release 2 molecules of **CO<sub>2</sub>**
  - Reduce 3 **NAD<sup>+</sup>** to 3 **NADH**
  - Reduce 1 **FAD** (electron carrier) to **FADH<sub>2</sub>**
  - Produce 1 **ATP**
  - Regenerate **oxaloacetate**





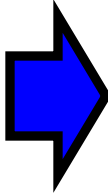
Per glucose molecule, the Krebs cycle produces...

- 4 CO<sub>2</sub>
- 6 NADHs
- 2 FADH<sub>2</sub>
- 2 ATP



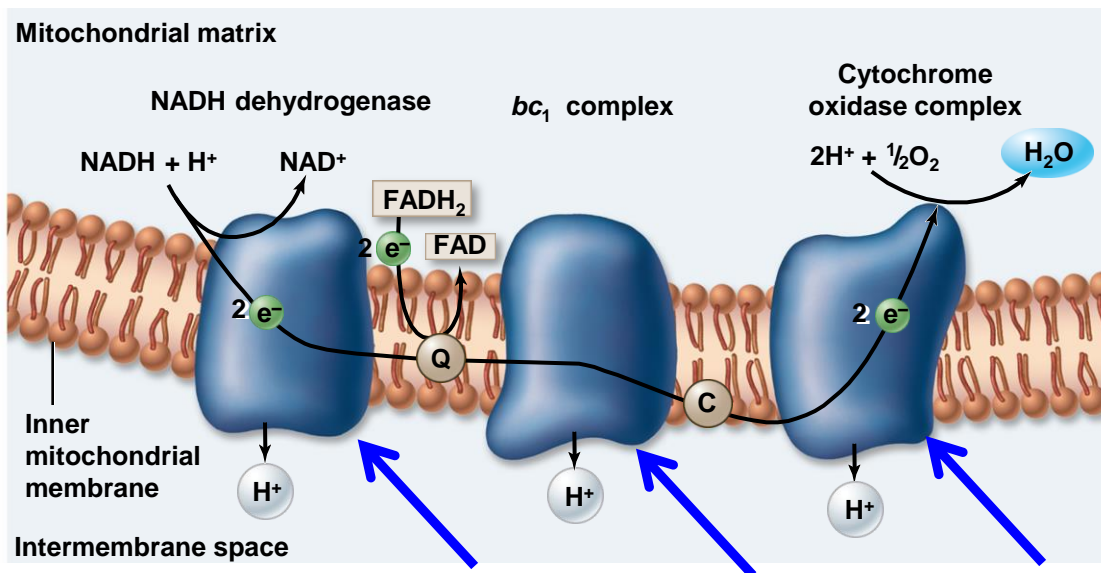


# At this point

- Glucose has been oxidized to:
    - 6 CO<sub>2</sub> (byproduct of aerobic respiration)
    - 4 ATP
    - 10 NADH
    - 2 FADH<sub>2</sub>
-  These two types of electron carriers proceed to the electron transport chain
- Electron transfer has released 53 kcal/mol of energy by gradual energy extraction
  - Energy will be put to use to manufacture ATP in ETC

# Electron Transport Chain (ETC)

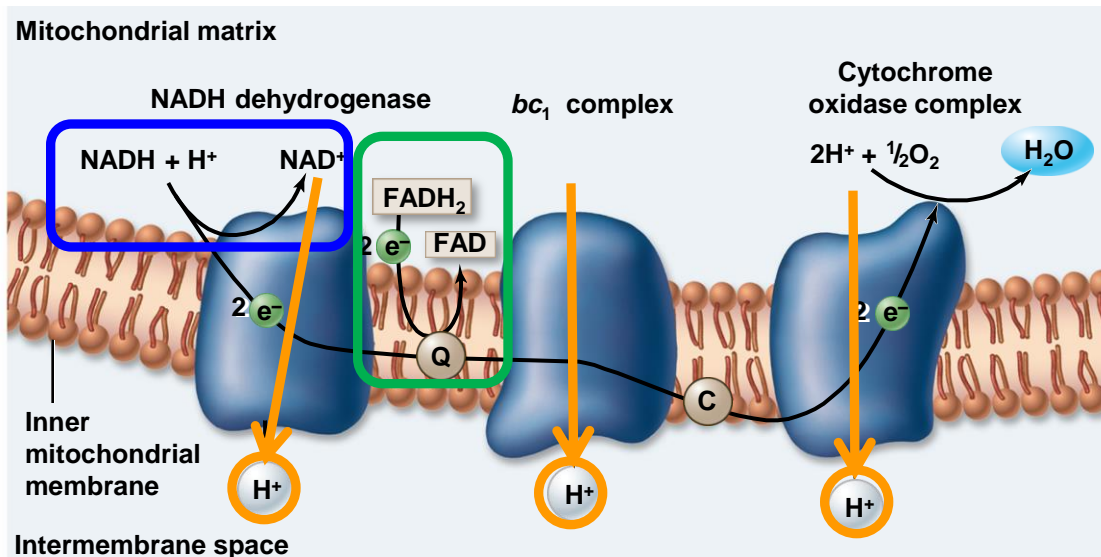
- ETC is a series of **membrane-bound electron carriers**
- Embedded in the **inner mitochondrial membrane**



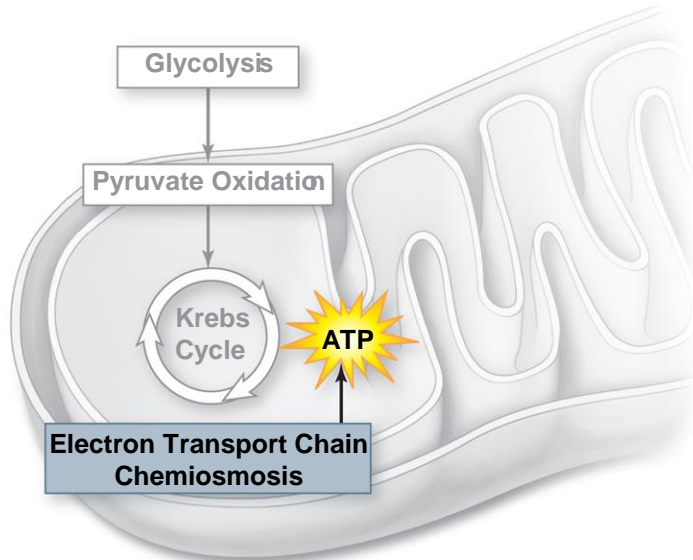
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# Electron Transport Chain (ETC)

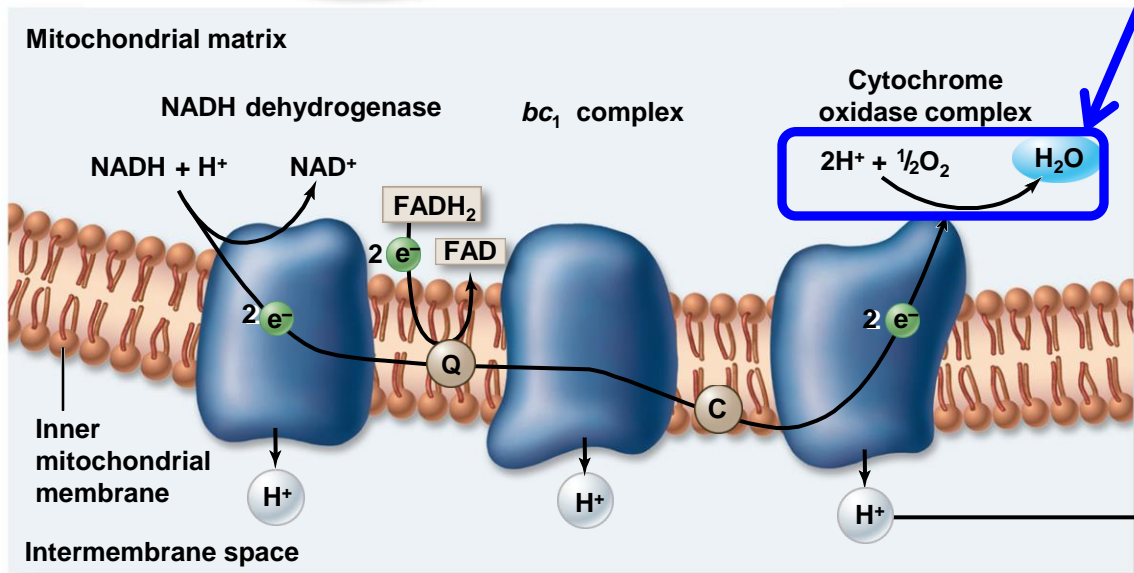
- Electrons from **NADH** and **FADH<sub>2</sub>** are transferred to complexes of the ETC
- Each complex...
  - A **proton pump** creating proton gradient
  - Transfers electrons to next carrier



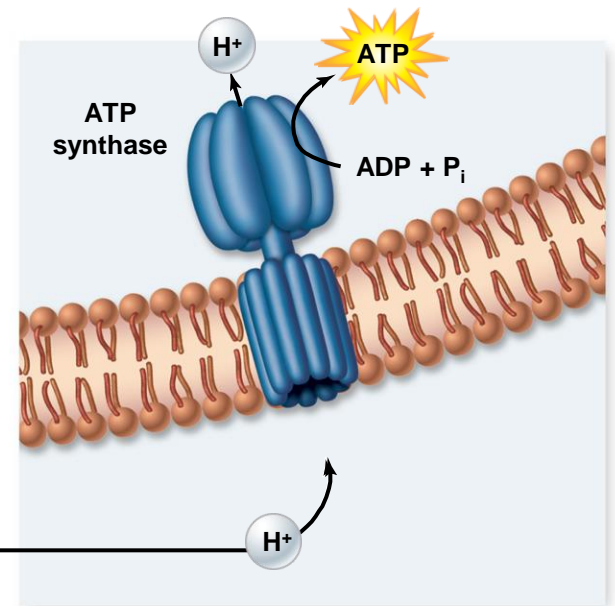
a. The electron transport chain



Note that  $O_2$  is the final electron acceptor (the reason we require  $O_2$ ), combining with protons to form  $H_2O$  as a byproduct of aerobic respiration.



a. The electron transport chain

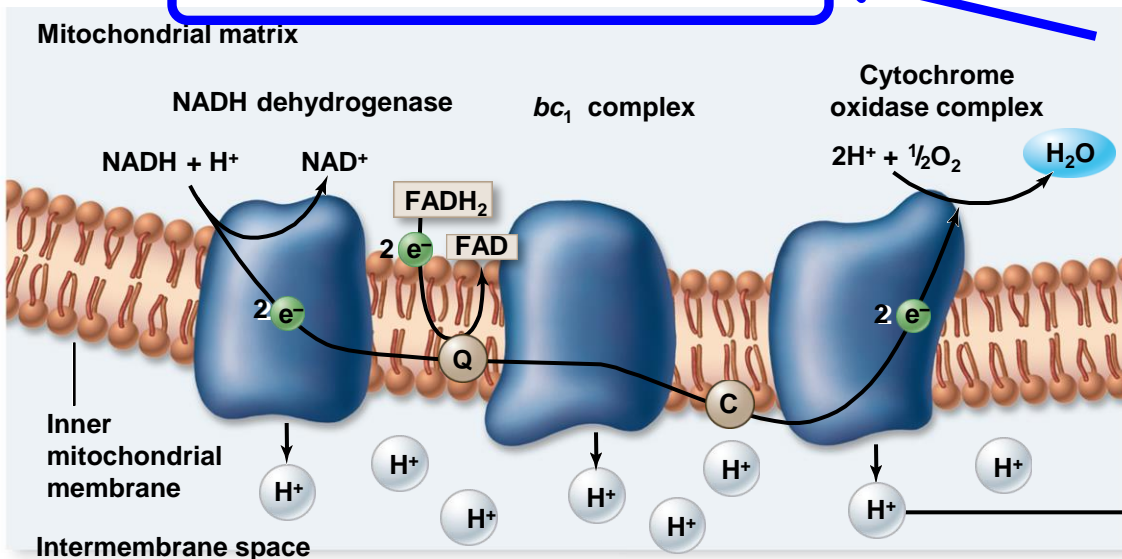


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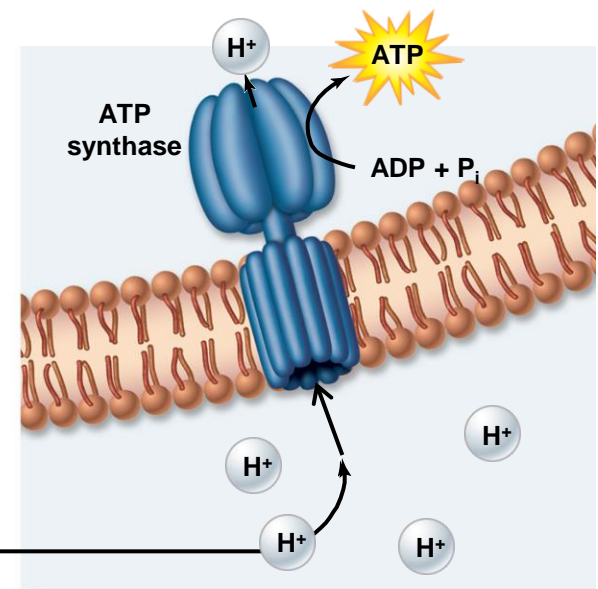
# Chemiosmosis

- Accumulation of protons ( $H^+$ ) in **intermembrane space** drives protons into the matrix via diffusion
- Membrane relatively impermeable to ions
- Most  $H^+$  can only reenter matrix via **ATP synthase**
  - Uses energy of gradient to make ATP from  $ADP + P_i$

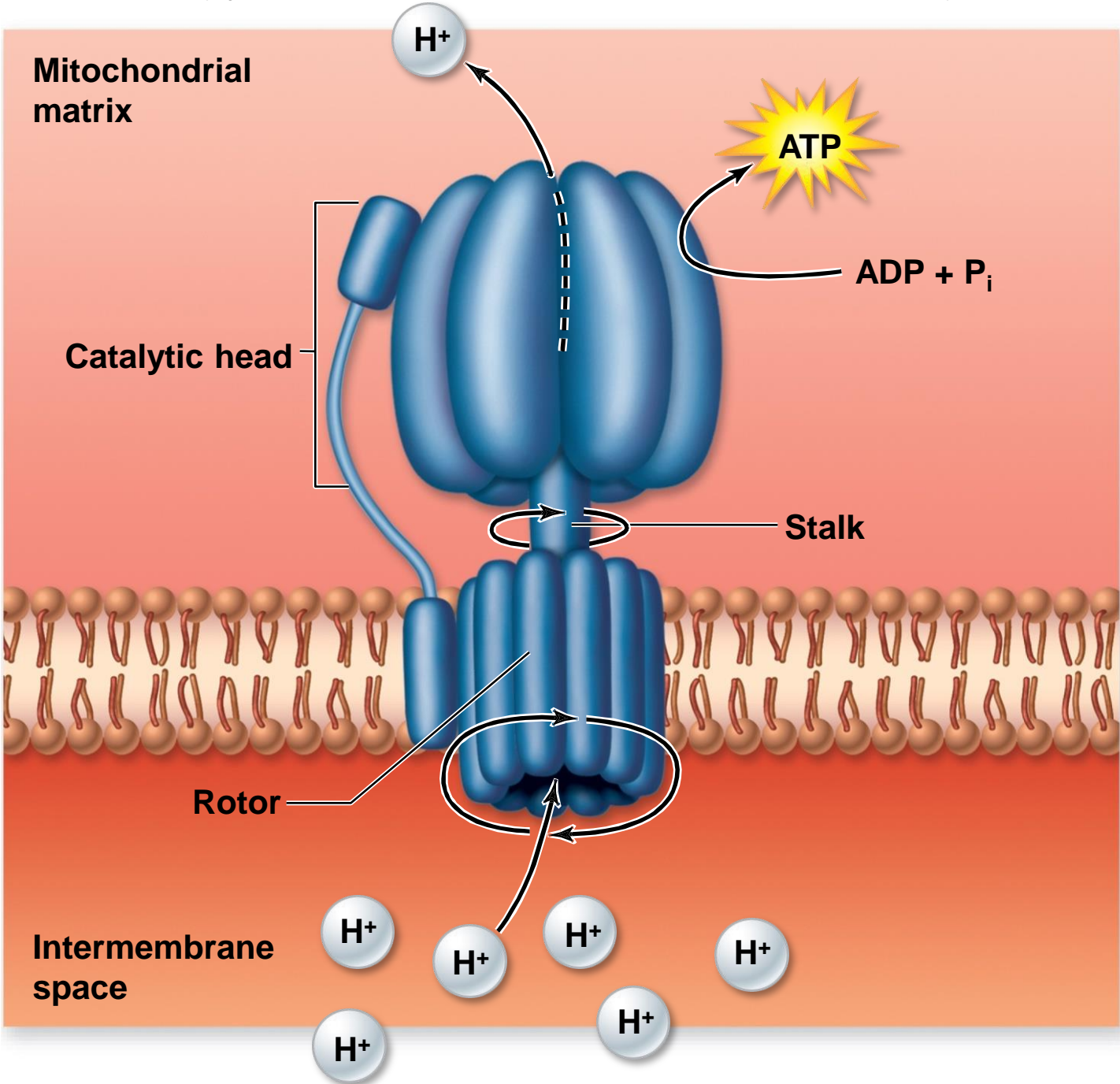
– **Proton Motive Force**



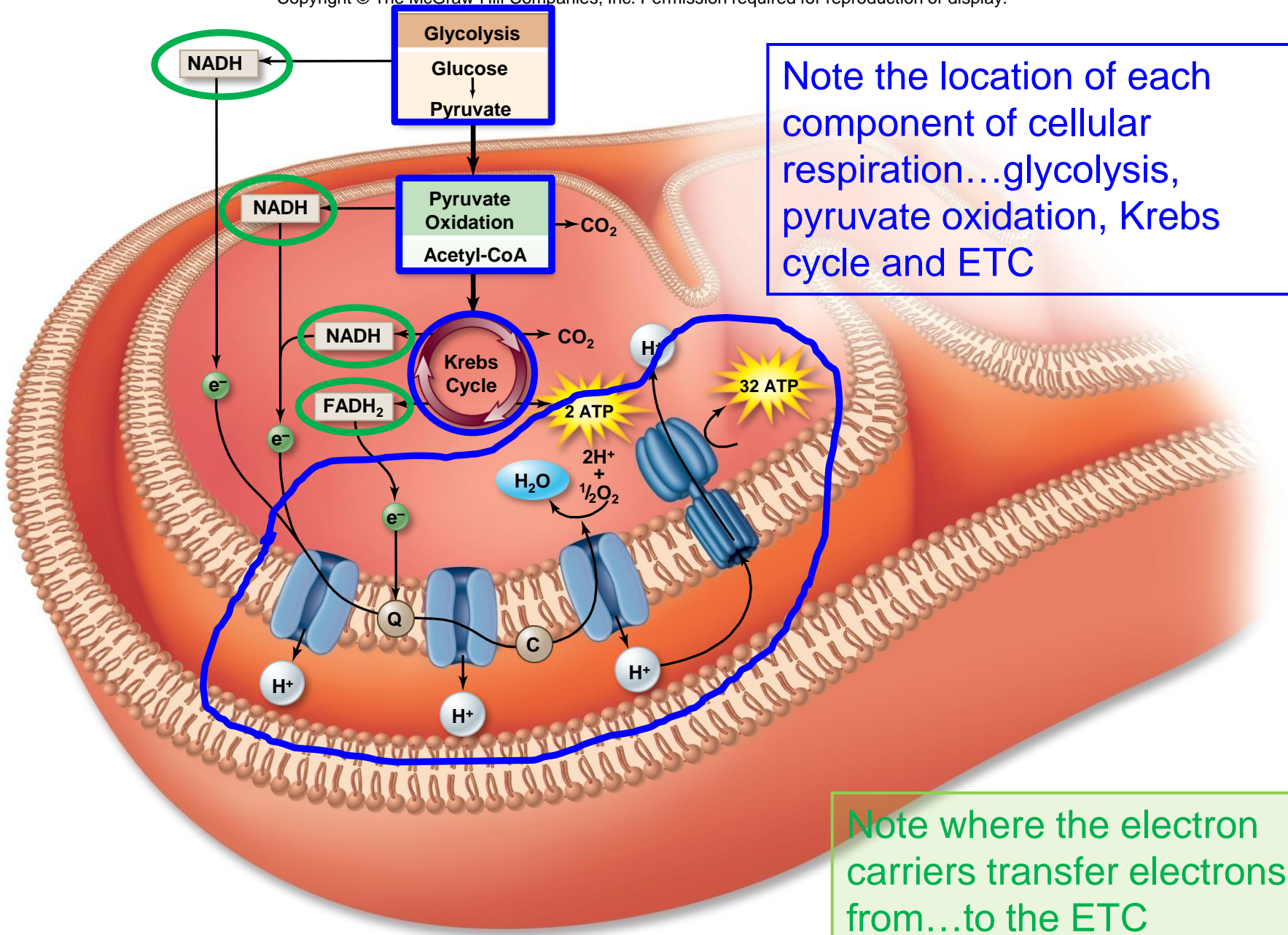
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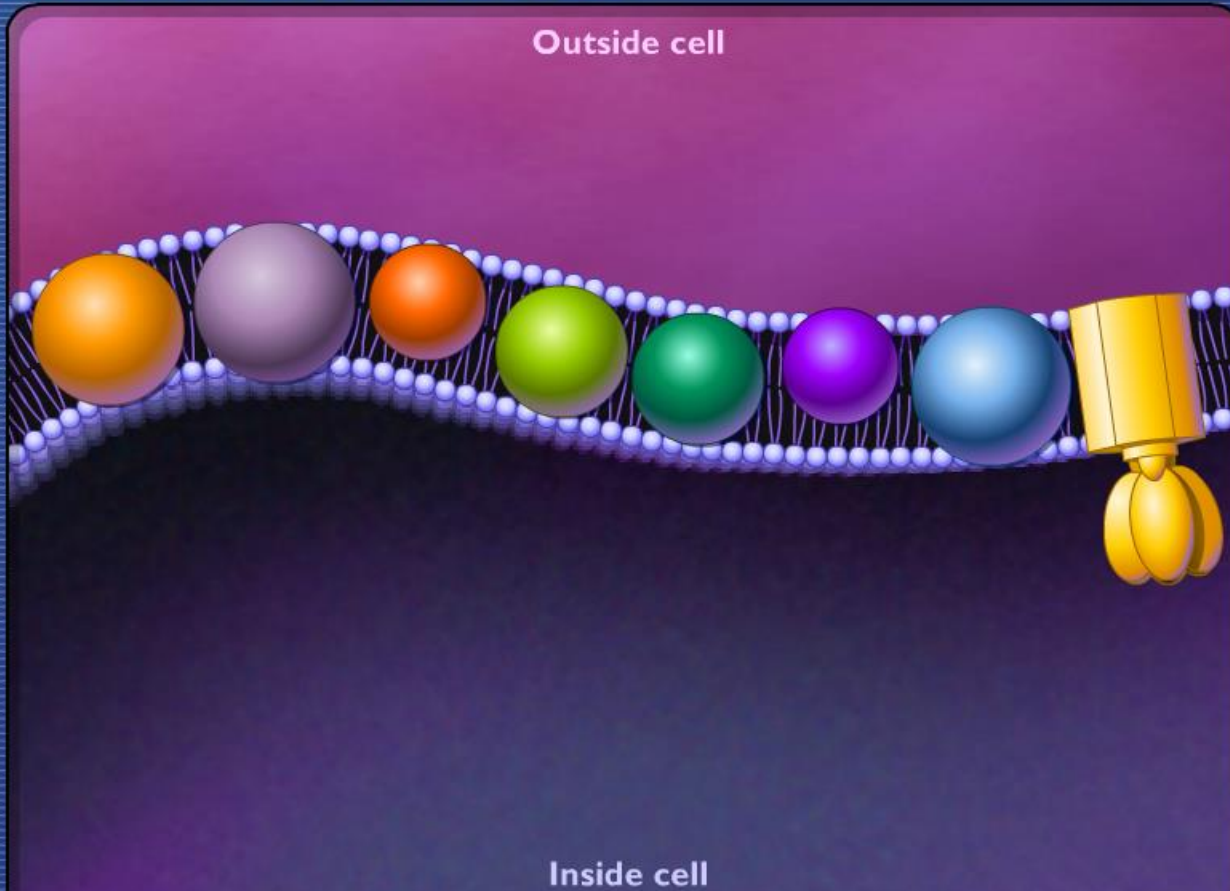




Note the location of each component of cellular respiration...glycolysis, pyruvate oxidation, Krebs cycle and ETC

Note where the electron carriers transfer electrons from...to the ETC

# Electron Transport System and Formation of ATP



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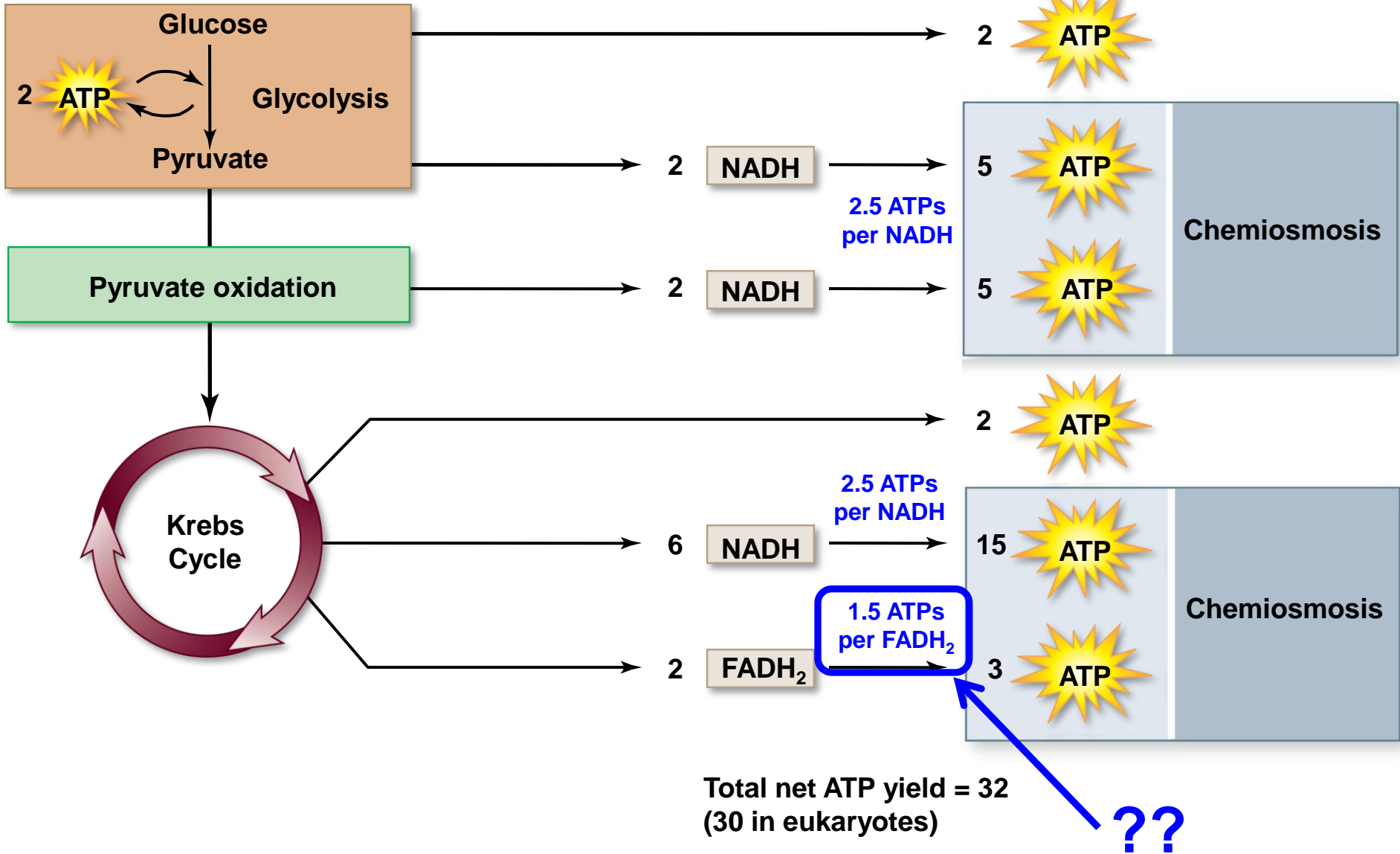
During glycolysis and the tricarboxylic acid cycle, oxidation of organic molecules results in production of reduced coenzymes such as NADH.



# Energy Yield of Respiration

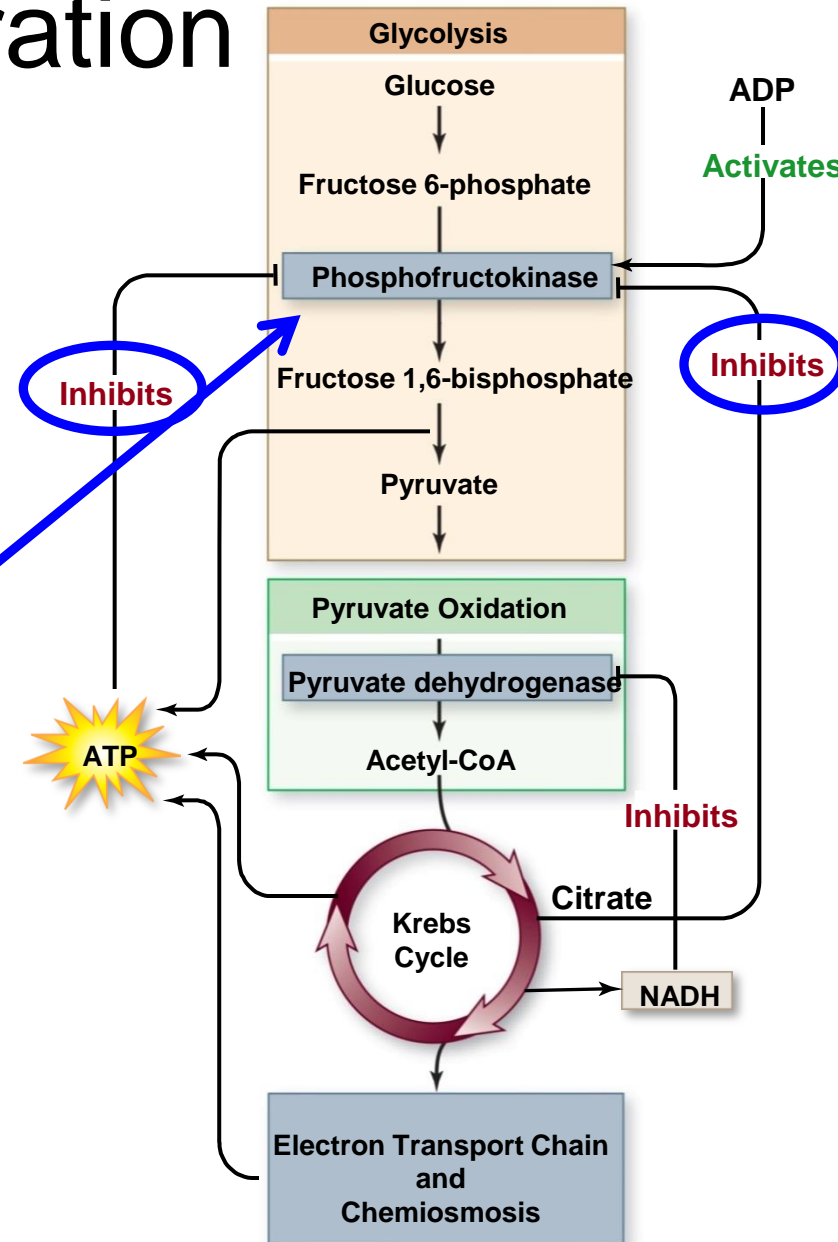
- Theoretical energy yield (these values vary from book to book)
  - 38 ATP per glucose for bacteria
  - 36 ATP per glucose for eukaryotes
- Actual energy yield
  - 30 ATP per glucose for eukaryotes
  - Reduced yield is due to...
    - “Leaky” inner membrane
    - Use of the proton gradient for purposes other than ATP synthesis

*Really Important!!*



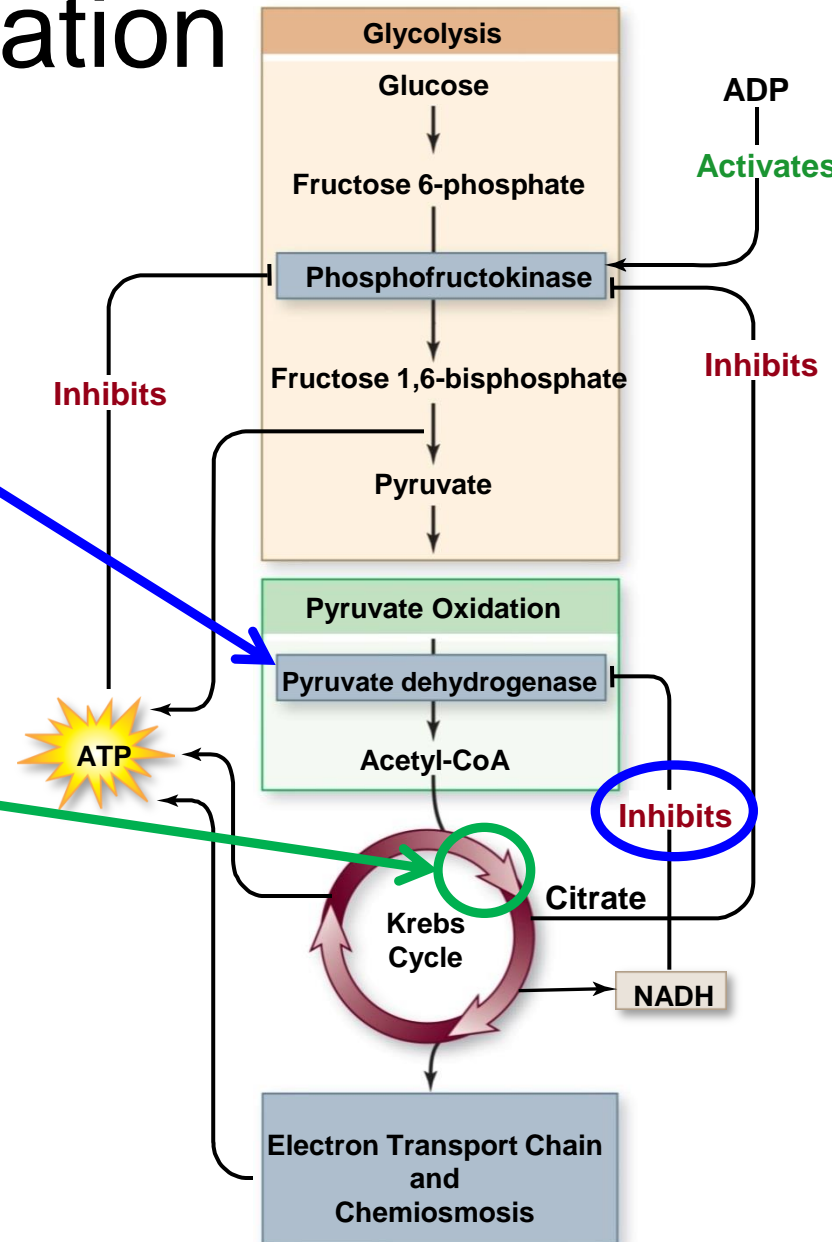
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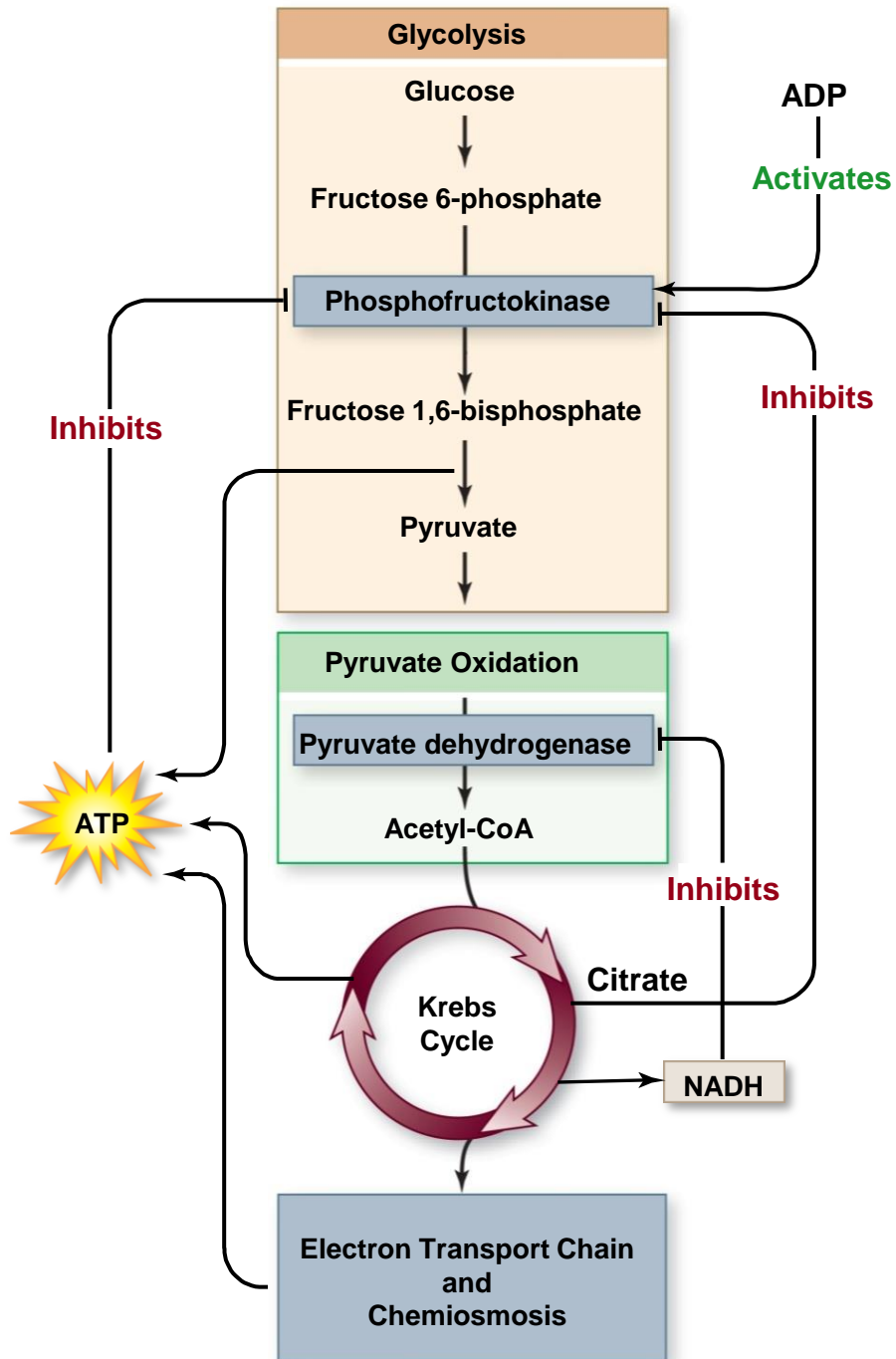
- Examples of *negative* feedback inhibition
- Two key control points
  1. In glycolysis
    - **Phosphofructokinase** is allosterically inhibited by ATP and/or citrate



# Regulation of Respiration

- Two key control points
  1. In glycolysis
  2. In pyruvate oxidation
    - Pyruvate dehydrogenase inhibited by high levels of NADH
    - Citrate synthetase inhibited by high levels of ATP





# Oxidation Without O<sub>2</sub>

## 1. Anaerobic respiration

- Use of inorganic molecules (other than O<sub>2</sub>) as final electron acceptor
- Many prokaryotes use sulfur, nitrate, carbon dioxide or even inorganic metals

## 2. Fermentation

- Use of organic molecules as final electron acceptor

# Anaerobic respiration

- Methanogens
  - $\text{CO}_2$  is reduced to  $\text{CH}_4$  (methane)
  - Found in diverse organisms including cows
- Sulfur bacteria
  - Inorganic sulphate ( $\text{SO}_4$ ) is reduced to hydrogen sulfide ( $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ )
  - Early sulfate reducers set the stage for evolution of photosynthesis

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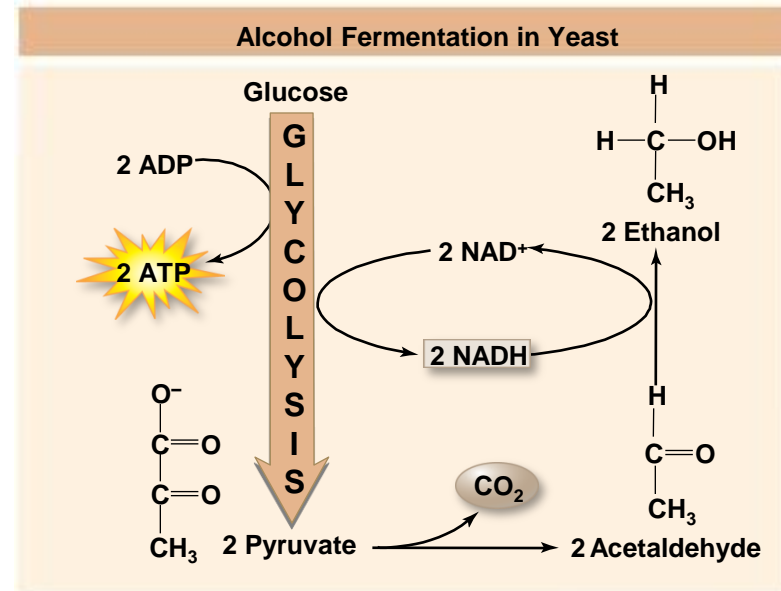


# Fermentation

- Reduces organic molecules in order to regenerate  $NAD^+$  to supply glycolysis allowing it to continue, even in absence of  $O_2$

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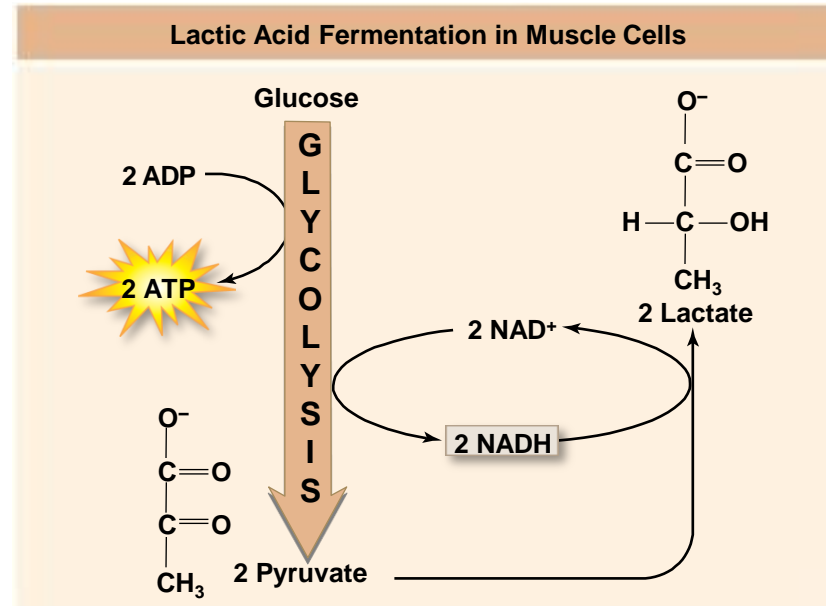
- $CO_2$ , ethanol, and  $NAD^+$  are produced



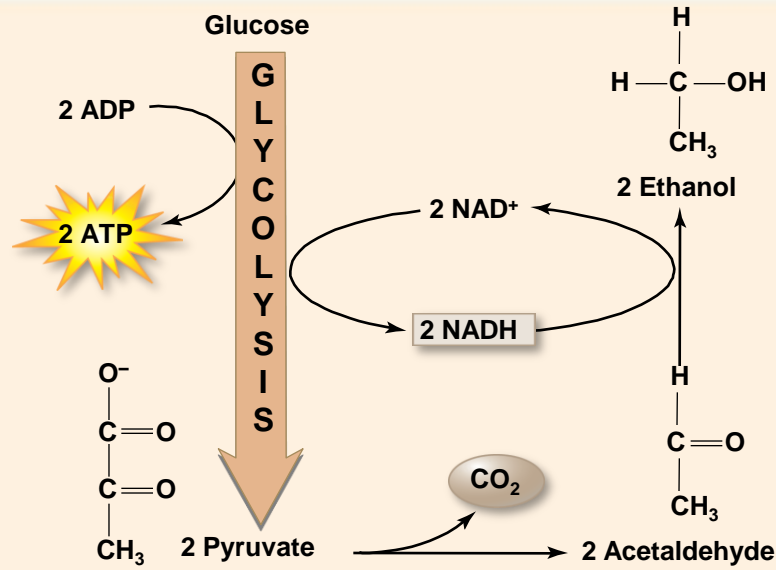
# Fermentation

## 2. Lactic acid fermentation

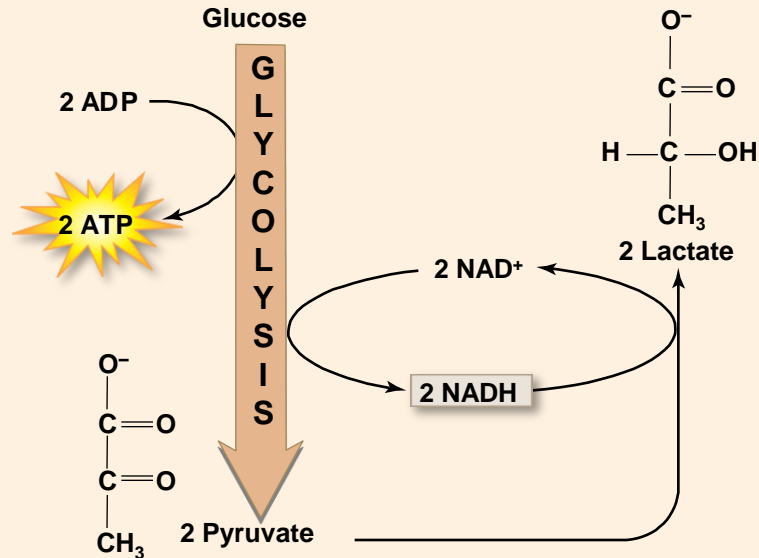
- Electrons are transferred from NADH to pyruvate to produce lactic acid
- Occurs in animal cells (*especially muscles, such as during sprinting*)



### Alcohol Fermentation in Yeast

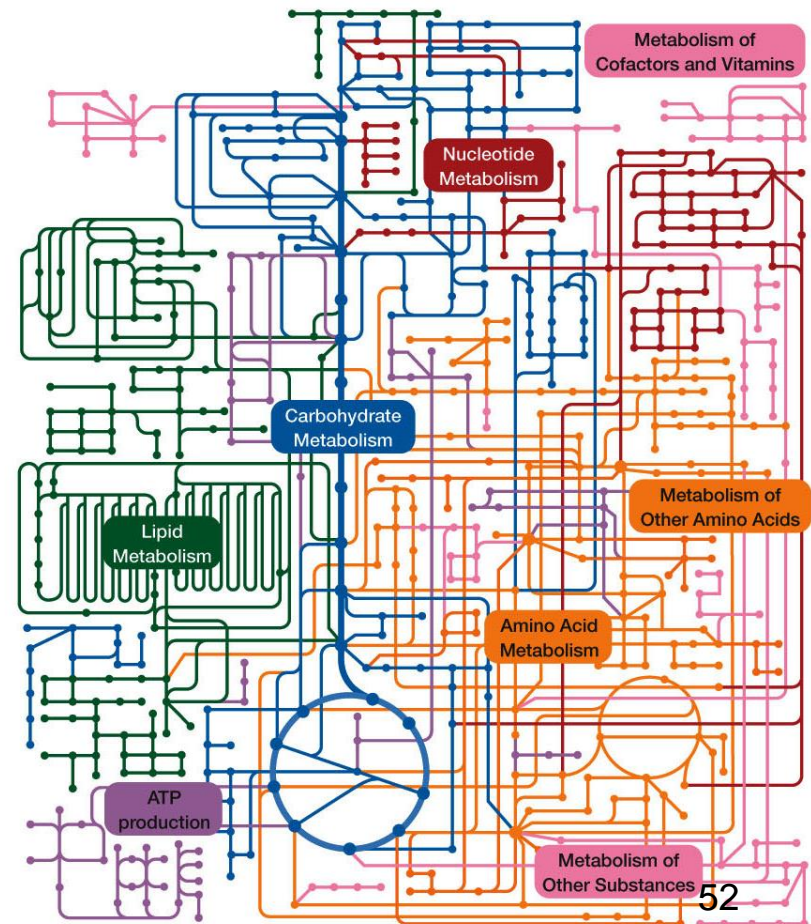


### Lactic Acid Fermentation in Muscle Cells



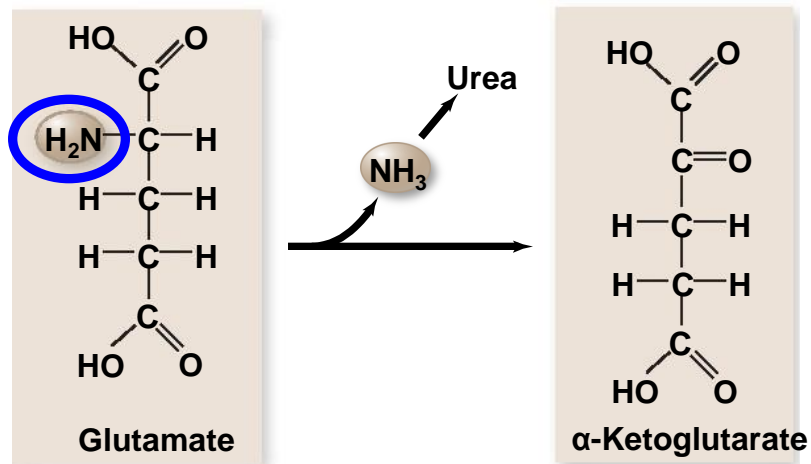
# Anabolic and Catabolism Pathways

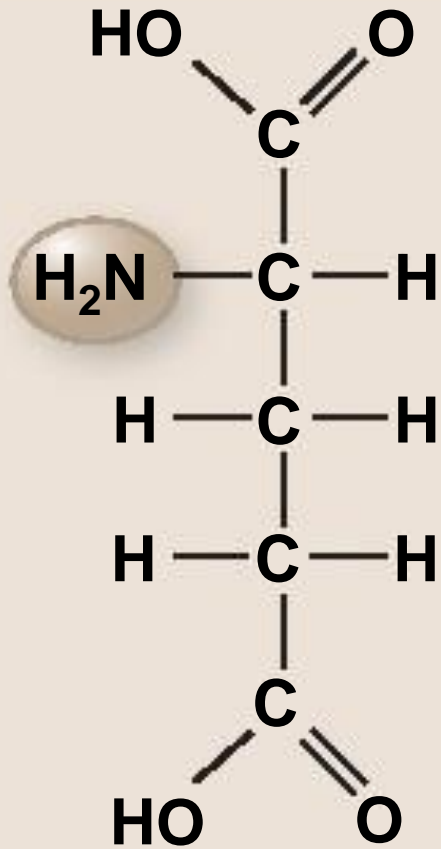
- Metabolic pathways are linked to reversible pathways of cellular respiration
  - Large molecules broken down and rearranged – **catabolic pathways**
  - Most larger molecules needed by the cell are produced – **anabolic pathways**



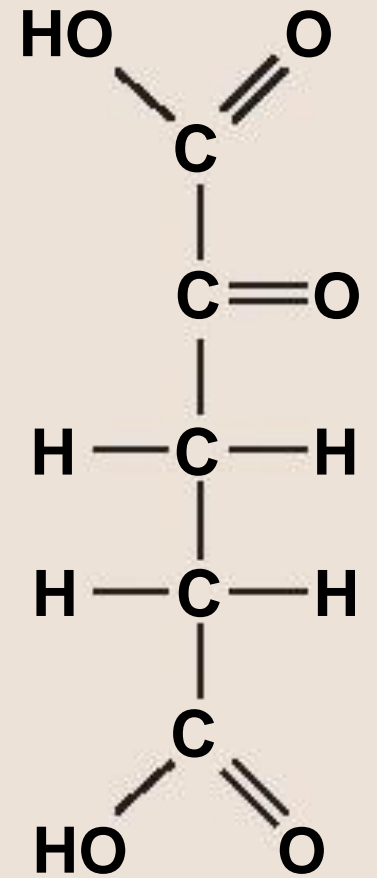
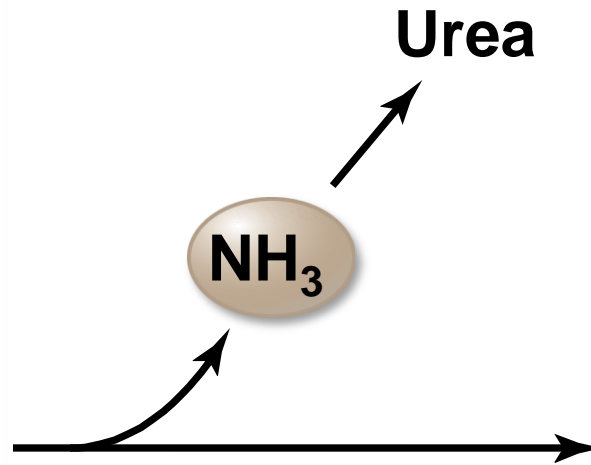
# Example of Catabolism of Protein

- Amino acids undergo deamination to remove the **amino group** (-NH<sub>2</sub>)
- Remainder of the amino acid is converted to a molecule that enters glycolysis or the Krebs cycle
  - Alanine is converted to pyruvate
  - Aspartate is converted to oxaloacetate





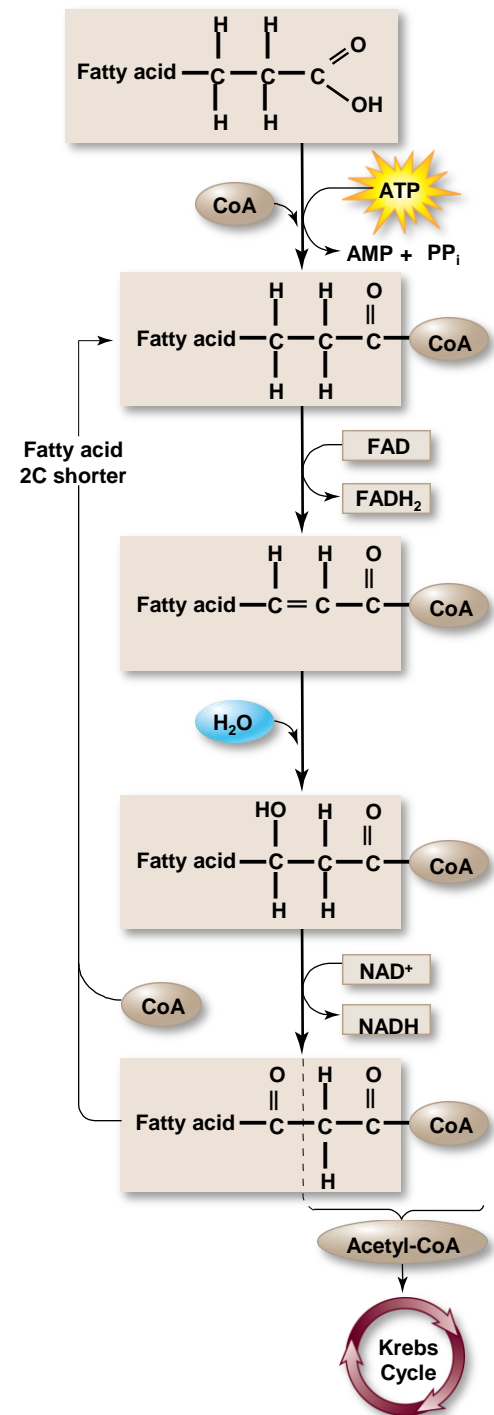
**Glutamate**

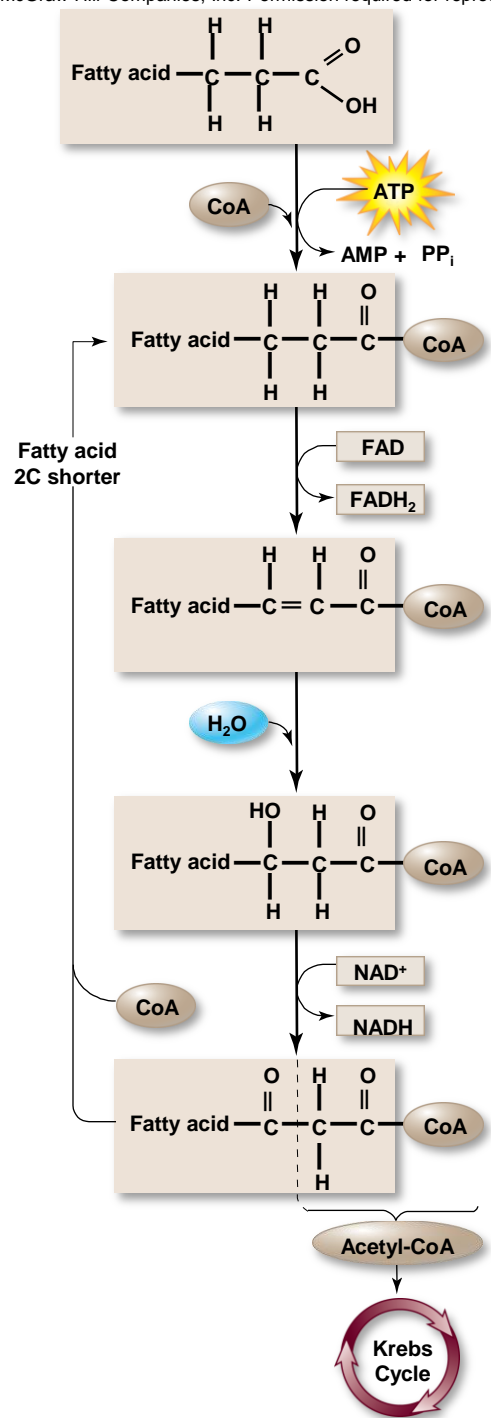


**α-Ketoglutarate**

# Catabolism of Fat

- Fats are broken down to fatty acids and glycerol
  - Fatty acids are converted to 2-C acetyl groups by  $\beta$ -oxidation
  - Oxygen-dependent process
- The respiration of a 6-carbon fatty acid yields 20% more energy than 6-carbon glucose
- Runs in reverse to produce fats







**Macromolecule degradation**

**Nucleic acids**

**Proteins**

**Polysaccharides**

**Lipids and fats**

**Cell building blocks**

**Nucleotides**

**Amino acids**

**Sugars**

**Fatty acids**

Deamination

Glycolysis

$\beta$ -oxidation

**Oxidative respiration**

**Pyruvate**

**Acetyl-CoA**

**Krebs Cycle**

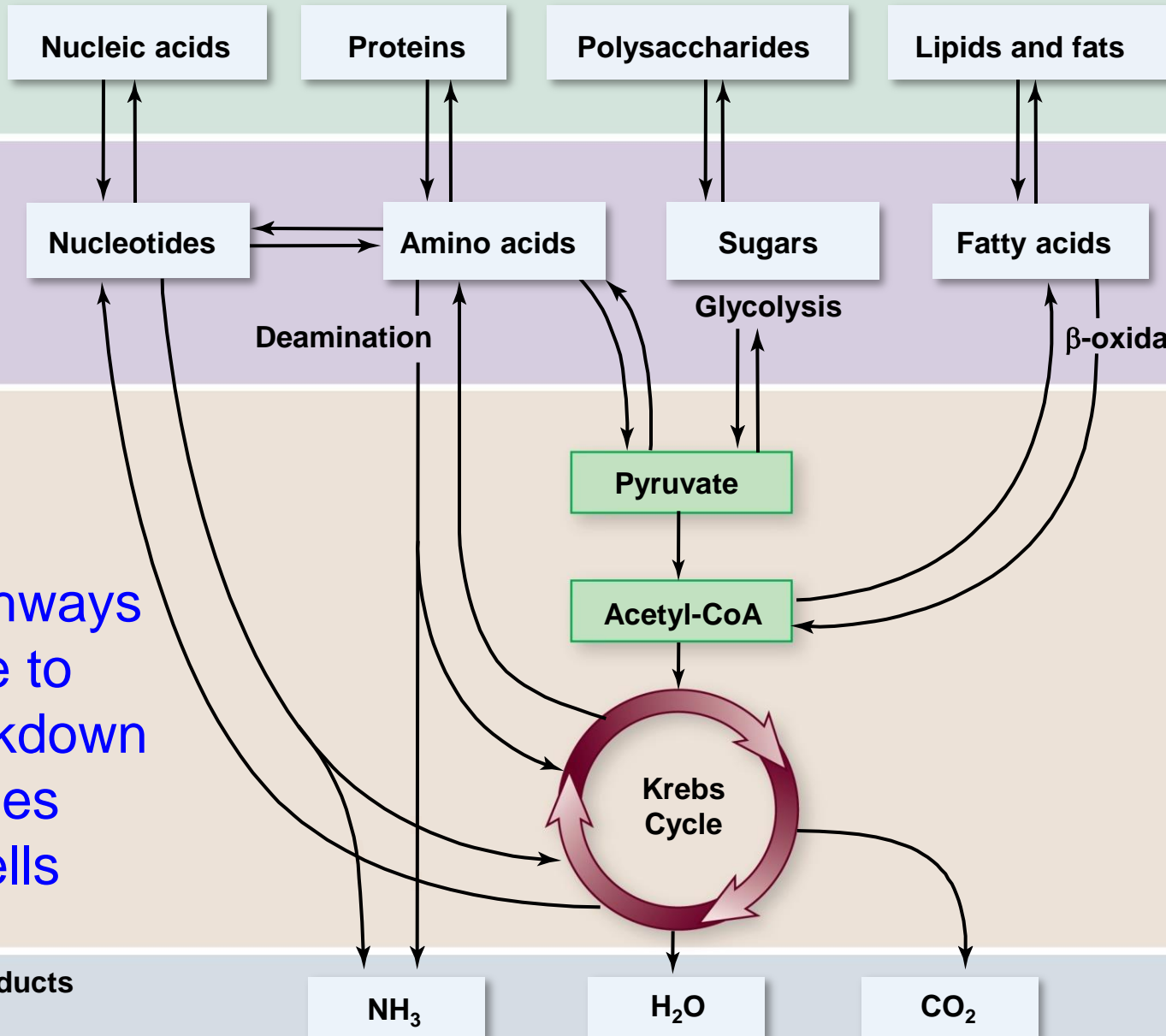
Reaction pathways are reversible to make & breakdown most molecules needed by cells

**Ultimate metabolic products**

**NH<sub>3</sub>**

**H<sub>2</sub>O**

**CO<sub>2</sub>**



# Evolution of Metabolism

- Hypothetical timeline
  1. Ability to store chemical energy in ATP
  2. Evolution of glycolysis
    - Pathway found in all living organisms
  3. Anaerobic photosynthesis (using  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ )
  4. Use of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  in photosynthesis (not  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$ )
    - Begins permanent change in Earth's atmosphere about 2.4 Bya
  5. Evolution of nitrogen fixation
  6. Aerobic respiration evolved most recently