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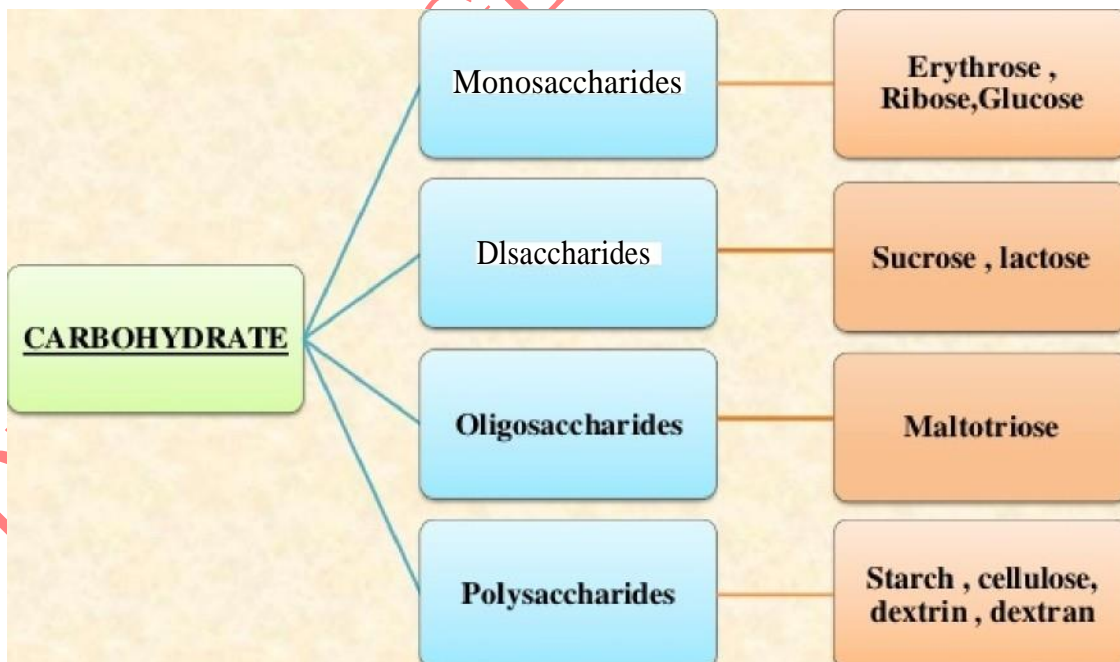
## CARBOHYDRATE:

V Most abundant organic molecule on earth.

*N Carbohydrates are defined as aldehyde or keto derivatives of polyhydric alcohols.*

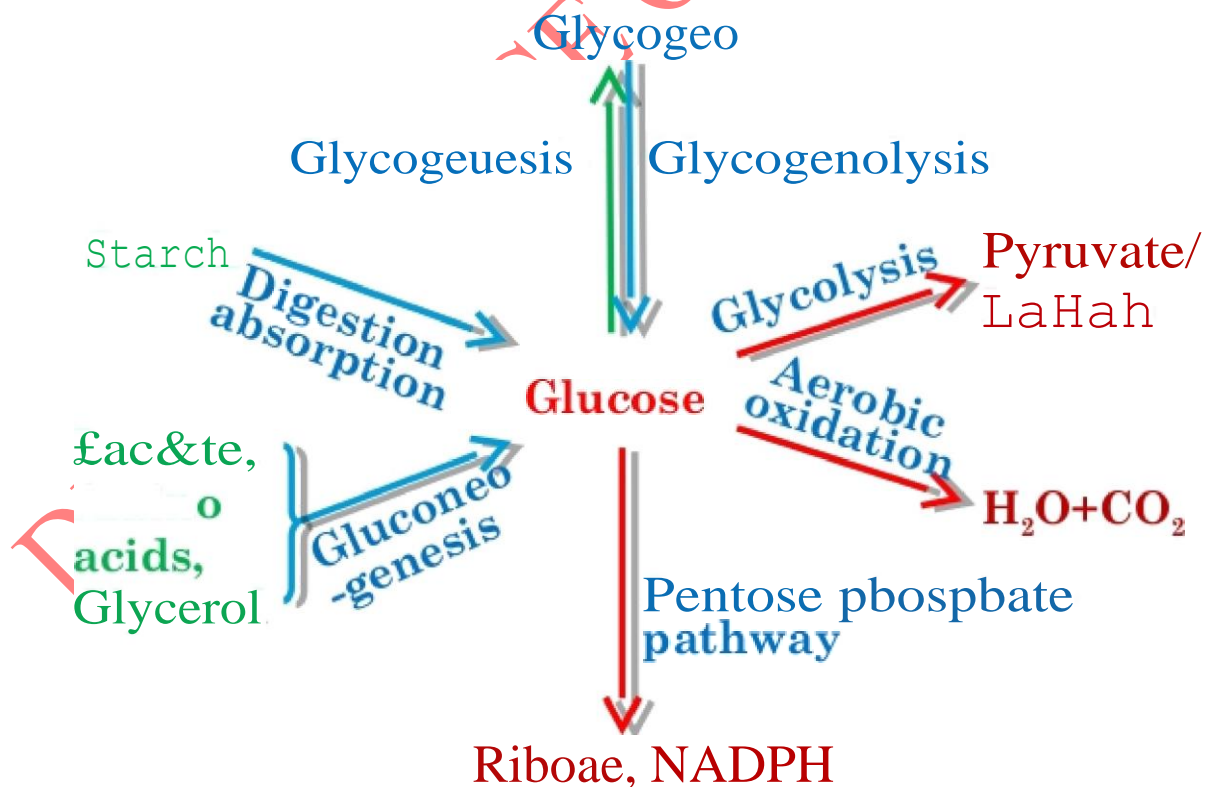
V For example: Glycerol on oxidation is converted to D-glyceraldehyde, which is a carbohydrate derived from the trihydric alcohol (glycerol).

V All carbohydrates have the general formula  $C_nH_{2n}O_n$ , [or it can be re-written as  $C_n(HCO)_n$ ]



# The metabolism of glucose

- Aerobic oxidation
- Glycolysis
- Gluconeogenesis
- Pentose phosphate pathway
- Glycogenesis
- Glycogenolysis
- Uronic acid pathway



**MAJOR PATHWAYS**  
**OF**  
**CARBOHYDRATE**  
**METABOLISM**

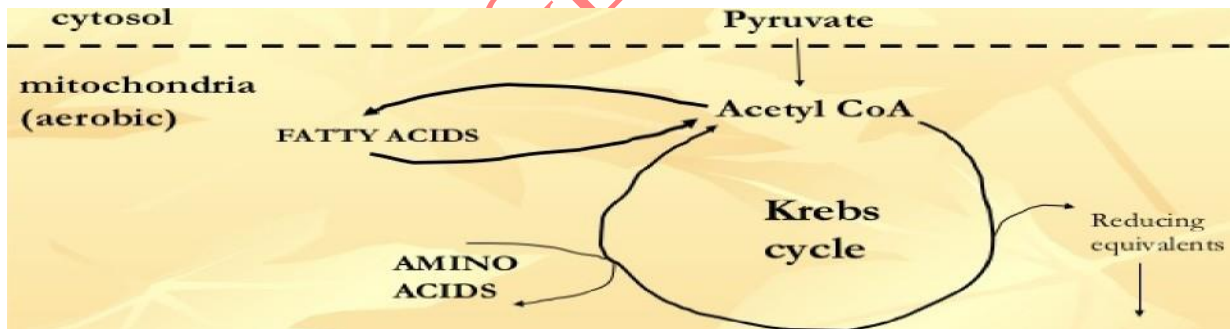
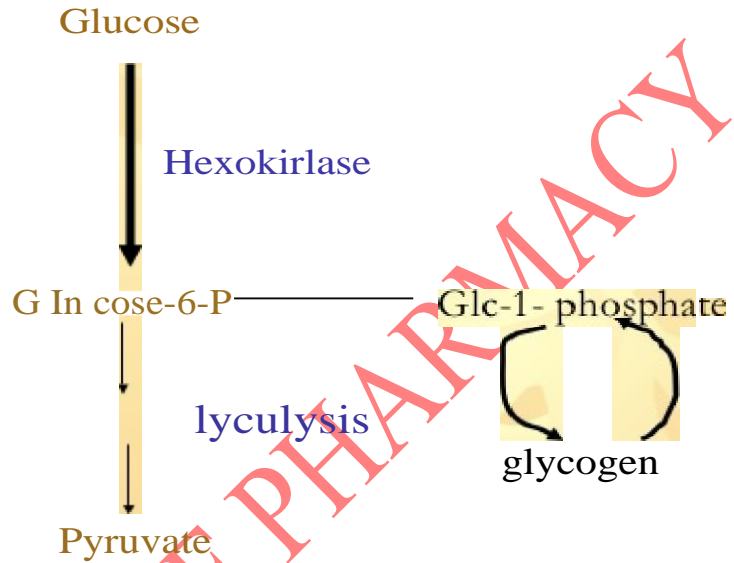
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# Carbohydrates

- Serve as primary source of energy in the cell
- Central to all metabolic processes

Cytosol - aerobic

Phosphate  
Shunt



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## Glycolysis

Defn: It is defined as sequence of reactions of glucose to lactate & pyruvate with the production of ATP.

It is derived from greek word *glycose* -sweet or sugar, *lysis*- dissolution.

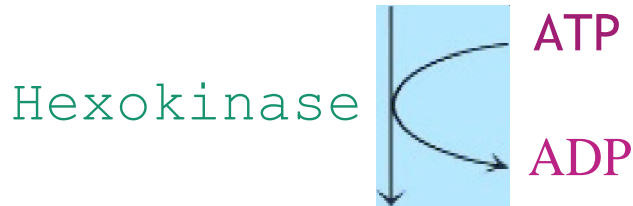
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# GLYCOLYSIS

## STAGE I



Glucose-6-phosphate

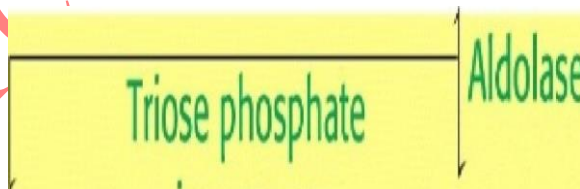
Phosphoglucose  
isomerase

Fructose-6-phosphate



**Fructose-1,6-bisphosphate**

STAGE II



Glyceraldehyde  
3-phosphate  
dehydrogenase



$P_i, NAD^+$   
NADH

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**1,3-Bisphosphoglycerate**

Phosphoglycerate  
kinase



ADP  
ATP

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**3-Phosphoglycerate**

Phosphoglycerate  
mutase

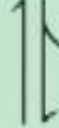


STAGE III

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**2-Phosphoglycerate**

Enolase



$H_2O$

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**Phosphoenolpyruvate**

Pyruvate kinase



ADP  
ATP

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**Pyruvate**

## Bioenergetics in Glycolysis:

Total of 8 ATP is formed in glycolysis.

Oxidation of glucose in aerobic condition: 38 ATP

Anaerobic condition: 2 ATP

## **Biomedical importance of Glycolysis**

- Principal route of metabolism,
- Production of acetyl coA in citric acid cycle.
- Metabolism of fructose & galactose.
- Provides ATP in absence of Oxygen,

## **Metabolism of Glycogen**

" Major storage form of carbohydrate,

" Glycogenesis: occurs in muscle & liver,



## Reactions of Glycolysis

1) Energy Investment phase  
priming phase

2) Splitting phase

3) Energy generation phase

- Glucose is phosphorylated to **glucose-6-phosphate** by *hexokinase (or) glucokinase*.
- Glucose-6-phosphate undergoes isomerization to give **fructose -6- phosphate** in the presence of *phosphoglucose isomerase*.
- Fructose-6-phosphate is phosphorylated to **fructose 1,6-bisphosphate** by *phosphofructokinase*.



- Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate → **glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate + dihydroxyacetone phosphate**. (*aldolase enzyme*)

**2 molecules** of glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate are obtained from 1 molecule of glucose



- Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate → **1,3-bisphosphoglycerate** (*glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate hydro genase* )

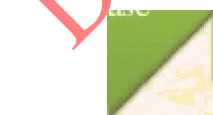


- 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate → **3-phosphoglycerate** (*phosphoglycerate kinase*)

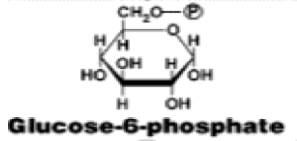
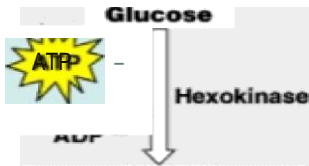


- 3-phosphoglycerate → **2-phosphoglycerate** (*phosphoglycerate mutase*)

- 2-phosphoglycerate → **phosphoenol pyruvate** (*enolase + Mg<sup>2+</sup> & Mn<sup>2+</sup>*)



- Phosphoenolpyruvate → **pyruvate** (*pyruvate kinase*)

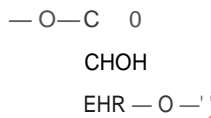


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ADP

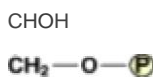
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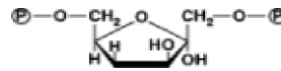
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2 AOP

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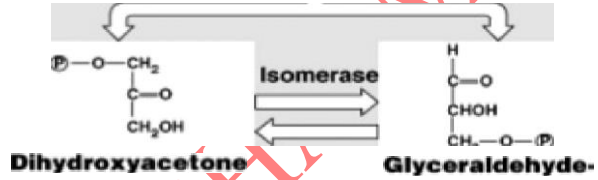


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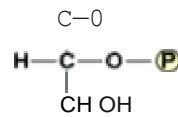


**1, 6-bisphosphate**

t Aldolase



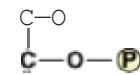
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Enolase

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oephocnolpyxvate

2 ADP

Pyruvate kinase



**Pyruvate**

### 3. Significance of glycolysis

- 1) Glycolysis is the emergency energy-yielding pathway.
  - 2) Glycolysis is the main way to produce ATP in some tissues, even though the oxygen supply is sufficient, such as red blood cells, retina, testis, skin, medulla of kidney.
- In glycolysis, 1mol G produces 2mol lactic acid and 2mol ATP.

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# CITRIC ACID CYCLE

## KREBS CYCLE / TRICARBOXYLIC ACID/ TCA CYCLE

Essentially involves the oxidation of acetyl CoA to  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

This Cycle utilizes about two-third of total oxygen consumed by the body.

## 2) Tricarboxylic acid cycle, TCAC

- The cycle comprises the combination of a molecule of acetyl-CoA with oxaloacetate, resulting in the formation of a six-carbon tricarboxylic acid, citrate. There follows a series of reactions in the course of which two molecules of CO<sub>2</sub> are released and oxaloacetate is regenerated.
- Also called **citrate cycle** or **Krebs cycle**.

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### Brief History:

- Hans Adolf Krebs
- 1937
- Studies of oxygen consumption in pigeon breast muscle.

### Location of TCA

- Mitochondrial matrix
- In close proximity to the electronic transport chain.

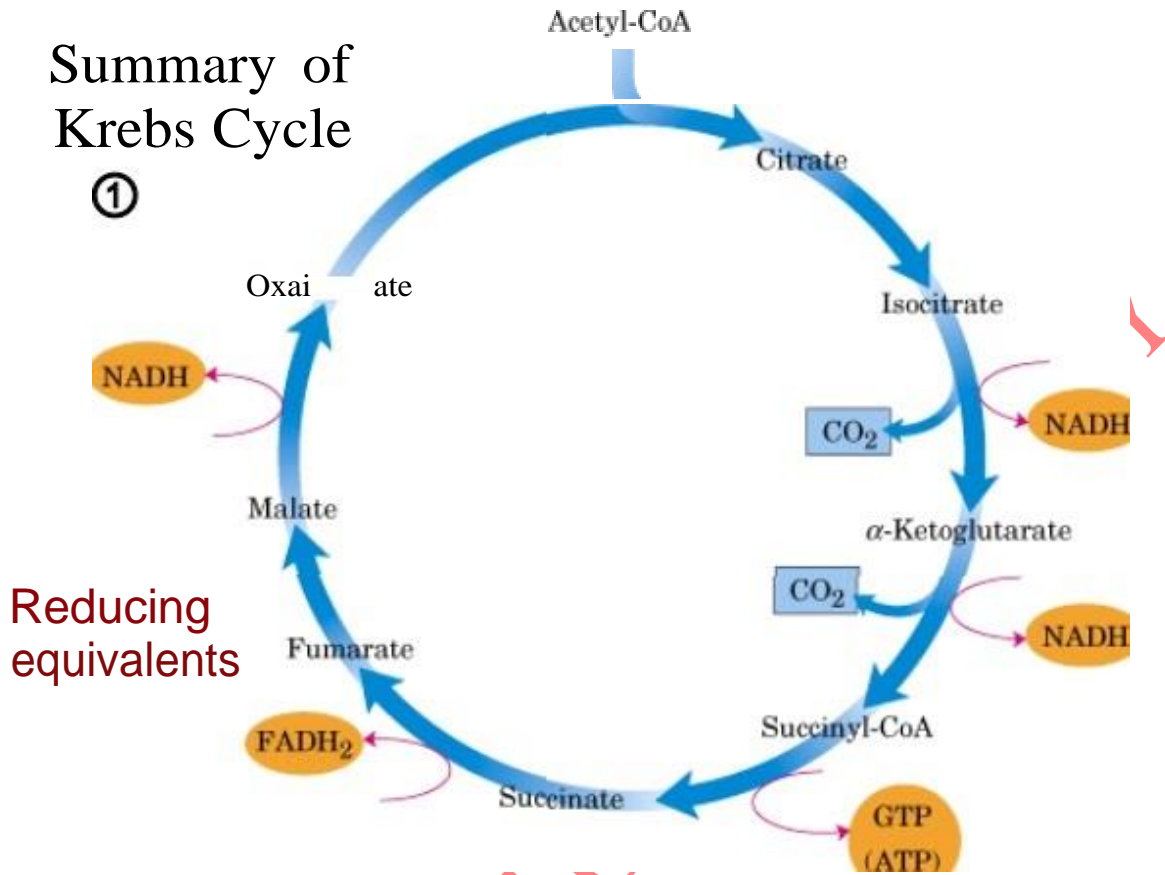
### Overview

- 65-70% of the ATP is synthesized
- Name : TCA used because at the outset of the cycle tricarboxylic acids participate.

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# Summary of Krebs Cycle

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## Reactions of citric acid cycle

- 1) **Formation of citrate** : Condensation of acetyl CoA and oxaloacetate G catalysed by citrate synthase.
- 2) & 3) **Citrate is isomerized to isocitrate** G aconitase (two steps).
- 4) & 5) **Formation of -ketoglutarate** : enzyme isocitrate dehydrogenase.
- 6) **Conversion of -ketoglutarate to succinyl CoA** : through oxidative decarboxylation, catalysed by O-ketoglutarate dehydrogenase complex.

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7) Formation of succinate : enzyme succinate thiokinase

$GTP + ADP \rightarrow GTP + ADP$  (nucleoside diphosphate kinase)

8) Conversion of succinate to fumarate : enzyme succinate dehydrogenase

9) Formation of malate : enzyme fumarase

10) Conversion of malate to oxaloacetate : enzyme malate dehydrogenase.

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- TCA cycle is strictly **aerobic** in contrast to glycolysis.

- Total of 12 ATP are produced from one acetyl CoA :-

During the process of oxidation of acetyl CoA via citric acid cycle W 3 NADH & 1 FADH<sub>2</sub>.

Oxidation of 3 NADH by electron transport chain coupled with oxidative phosphorylation results in 9 ATP, FADH<sub>2</sub> G 2 ATP.

- , One substrate level phosphorylation. /

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## (2) Bio-significance of TCAC

O Acts as the final common pathway for the oxidation of carbohydrates, lipids, and proteins.

@ Serves as the crossroad for the interconversion among carbohydrates, lipids, and non-essential amino acids, and as a source of biosynthetic intermediates.

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## Biomedical importance

- Final common pathway for oxidation of carbohydrates, lipids, & proteins.
  - Major role in gluconeogenesis, transamination, deamination & lipogenesis.
  - Vitamins play a key role in this cycle
    - Eg; Riboflavin — FAD.
    - Niacin — NAD.
    - Thiamine.
    - Pantothenic acid as a part of co-A.
- Bioenergetics : 12 ATP per cycle.
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# HEXOSE MONOPHOSPHATE SHUNT

Hh1P Shunt/ Pentose Phosphate Pathway/  
Phosphogluconate Pathway

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\* This is an alternative pathway to glycolysis and TCA cycle for the oxidation of glucose.

\* Anabolic in nature, since it is concerned with the biosynthesis of NADPH and pentoses.

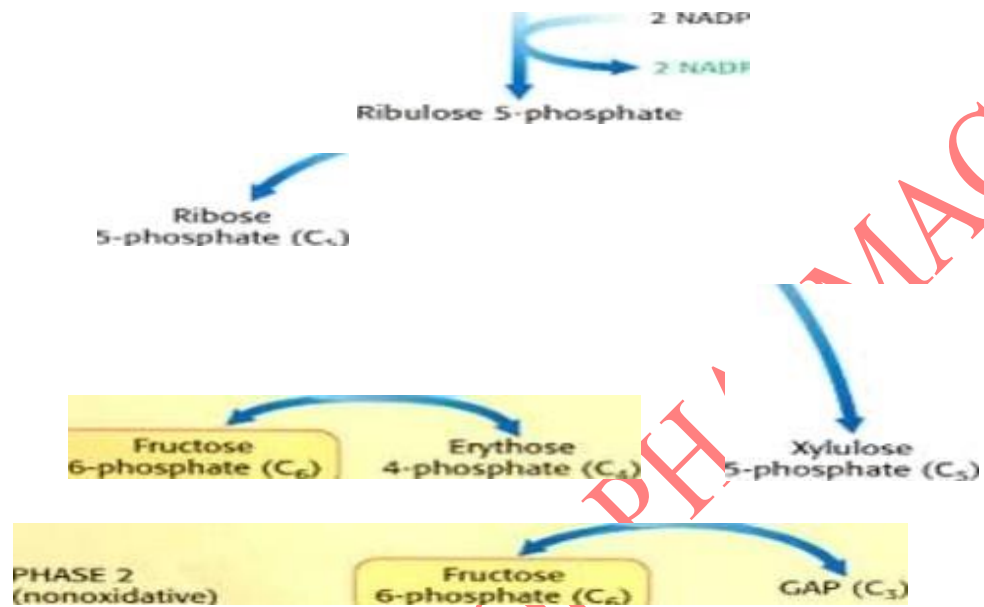
\* Unique multifunctional pathway

\* Enzymes located – cytosol

\* Tissues active – liver, adipose tissue, adrenal gland, erythrocytes, testes and lactating mammary gland.

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## Reactions of the HMP Shunt Pathway



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## Significance of HMP Shunt

- Pentose or its derivatives are useful for the synthesis of nucleic acids and nucleotides.
- ! • NADPH is required :
  - For reductive biosynthesis of fatty acids and steroids.
  - For the synthesis of certain amino acids.
  - Anti-oxidant reaction
  - Hydroxylation reaction— detoxification of drugs.
  - Phagocytosis
  - Preserve the integrity of RBC membrane.

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## Clinical Aspects

- Glucose-6-Phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency
  - Inherited sex-linked trait
  - Red blood cells
  - Impaired synthesis of NADPH
  - hemolysis , developing hemolytic anemia
  - Resistance towards malaria [Africans]

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## Clinical Aspects

- Wernicke-Korsakoff syndrome :
  - Genetic disorder
  - Alteration in transketolase activity
  - Symptoms : mental disorder, loss of memory, partial paralysis
- Pernicious anemia : transketolase activity increases.

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# Von-Gierke's disease

**Affected enzyme:** Glucose 6 phosphatase deficiency

**Affected tissue:** Liver and kidney

**Clinical features:**

Hypoglycemia

Lactic acidosis

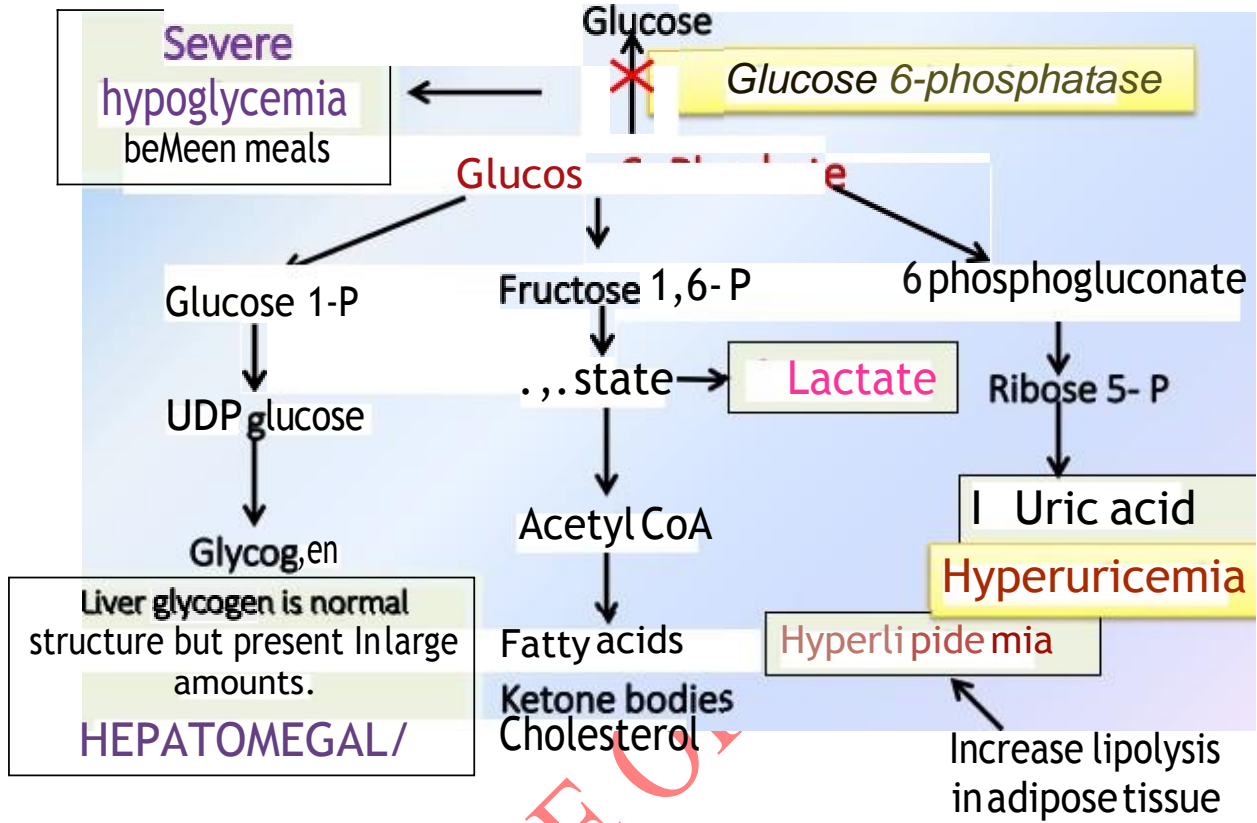
Hepatomegaly – progressing to cirrhosis

Hyperuricemia

Hyperlipidemia

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# Type I (VonGierke's disease)



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## Sym †Offls •

- Enlarged Liver And Kidneys
- Low Blood Sugar
- High Levels Of Lactate, Fats, And Uric Acid In The Blood
- Impaired Growth And Delayed Puberty
- Bone Thinning From Osteoporosis
- Increased Mouth Ulcers And Infection



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**Diagnosis** - by Liver Biopsy .

**Treatment** – by frequent meals , nasogastric feeding at night to maintain blood glucose concentration.

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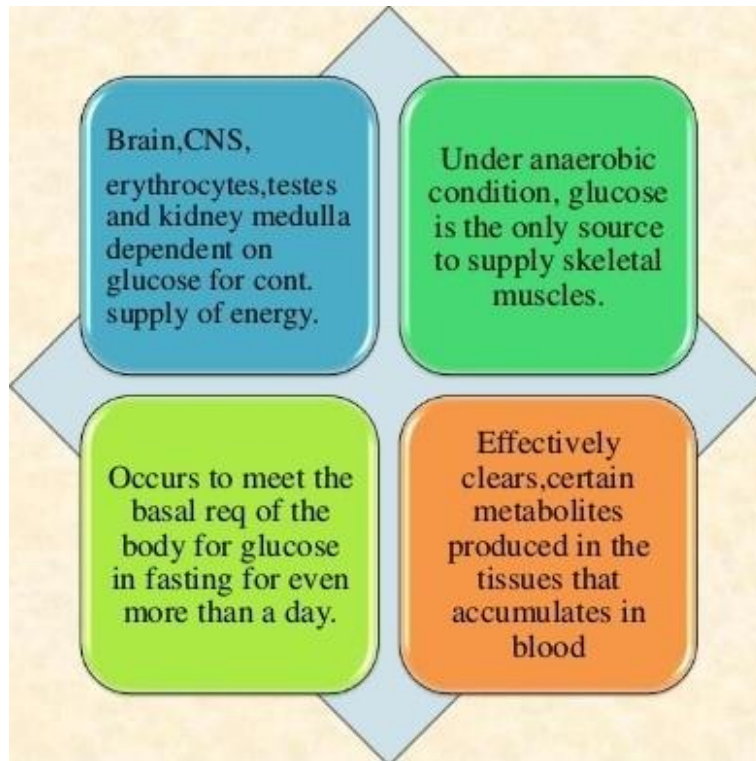
# GLUCONEOGENESIS

The synthesis of glucose from non-carbohydrate compounds is known as gluconeogenesis.

Major substrate/precursors : lactate, pyruvate, glycogenic amino acids, propionate & glycerol.

- Takes place in liver (1kg glucose) ; kidney matrix( 1/3<sup>rd</sup>).
- Occurs in cytosol and some produced in mitochondria.

# Importance of Gluconeogenesis



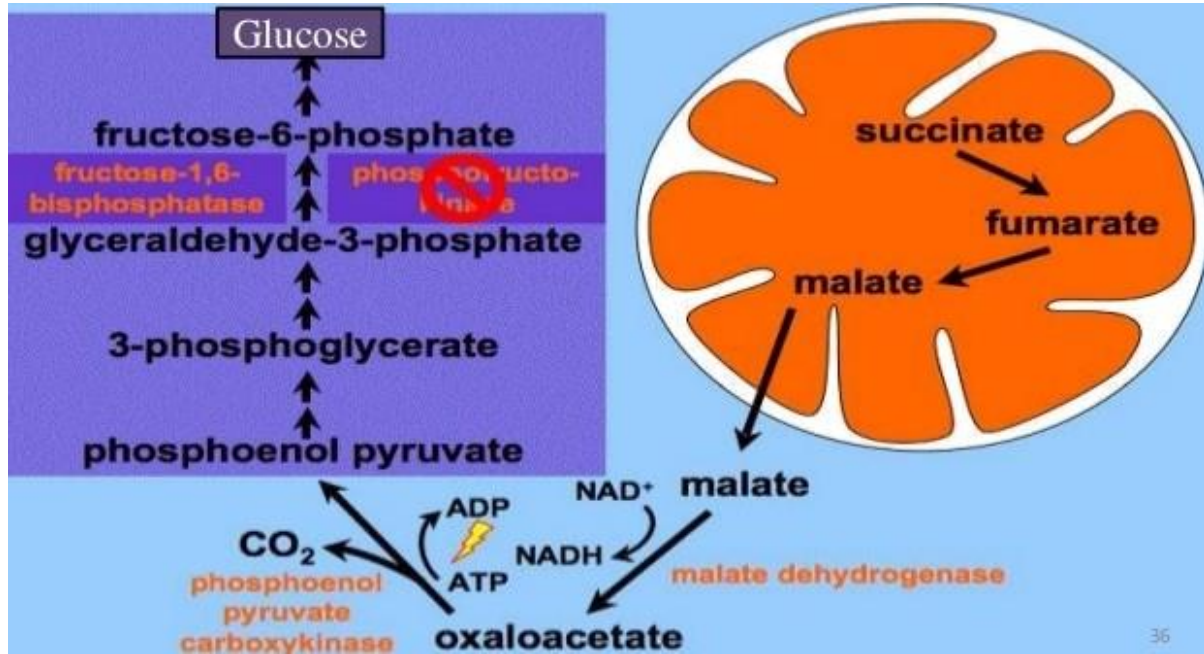
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# Reaction of Gluconeogenesis

Gluconeogenesis is running glycolysis in reverse



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### 3. Significance of gluconeogenesis

- (1) Replenishment of Glucose by Gluconeogenesis and Maintaining Normal Blood Sugar Level.
- (2) Replenishment of Liver Glycogen.
- (3) Regulation of Acid-base Balance.

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# GLYCOGEN METABOLISM

Glycogen is a storage form of glucose in animals.

Stored mostly in liver (10%) and muscle (1-2%)

<Due to muscle mass the quantity of glycogen in muscle = 250g  
but liver = 75g

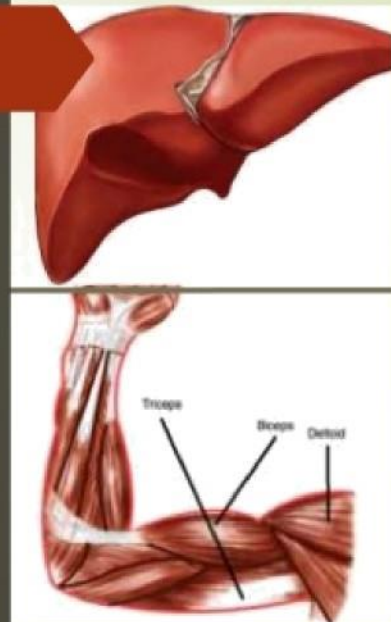
<Stored as granules in the cytosol.

Functions : Liver glycogen — maintain the blood glucose level

Muscle glycogen — serves as fuel reserve

## Introduction

- Glycogen is a **readily mobilized storage form of glucose**.
- It is stored mainly in **liver and muscle**
- The liver content of glycogen is greater than that of muscle
- Since the muscle mass of the body is considerably greater than that of the liver, about **three-quarters of total body glycogen is in muscle**

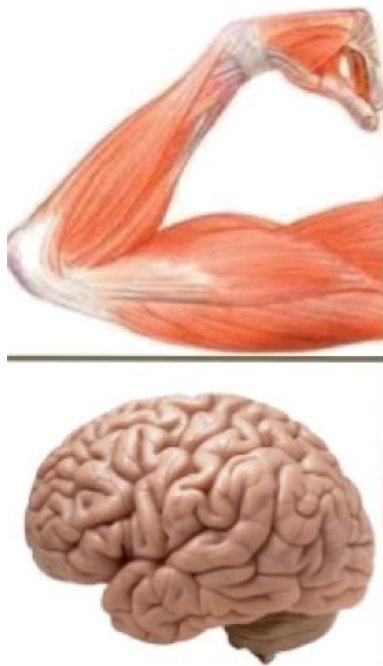


Liver glycogen maintain **blood glucose level** particularly between meals.

First line of defense against declining blood glucose levels especially between meals.

Muscle glycogen is a readily available source of glucose in the exercising muscles.

Deficient mobilization and abnormal accumulation of glycogen leads to certain disorders called as **GLYCOGEN STORAGE DISEASES** which can lead to muscular weakness and even death in the affected individual.

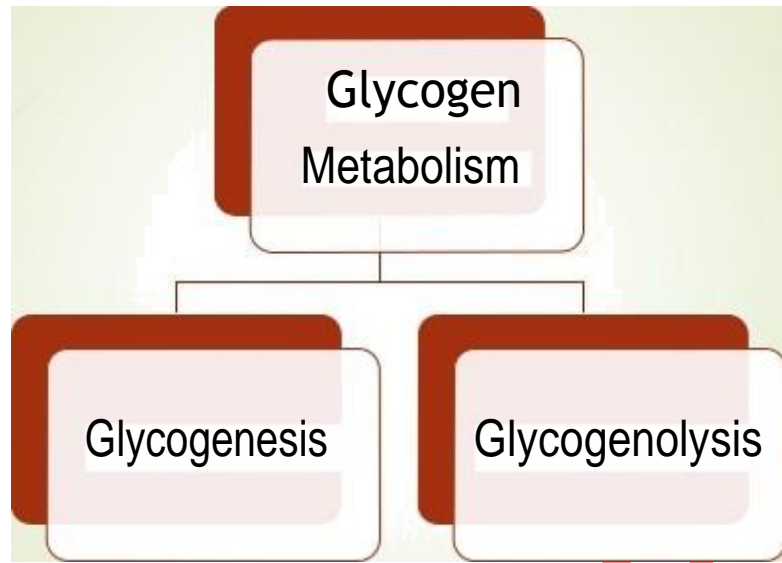


## Reasons for storing Glycogen as a fuel :

- ❑ Glycogen serves as a **buffer** to maintain blood-glucose levels.
- ❑ Glucose is virtually the only fuel used by the brain, except during prolonged starvation.
- ❑ It is readily mobilized and is therefore a good source of energy for sudden, strenuous

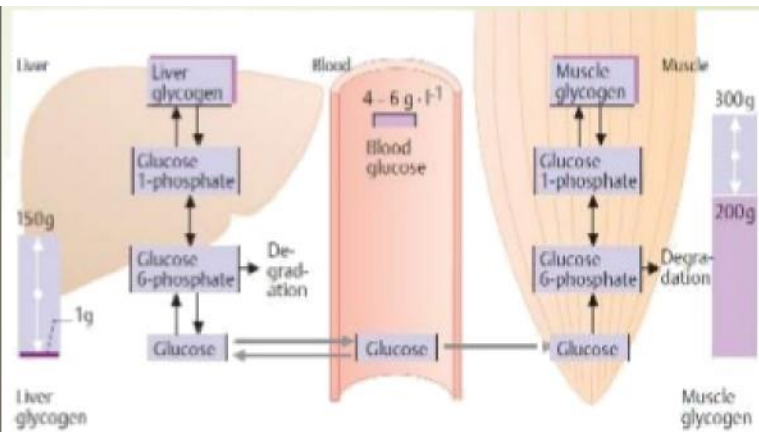
energy in the absence of oxygen  
energy for anaerobic activity.

thus serve



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## Glycogenesis



Glycogenesis mainly occurs in the liver and muscle.

- Muscle glycogen provides a readily available source of glucose for the muscle itself.
- Liver glycogen functions to store and export glucose to maintain blood glucose levels.

## Glycogenesis is the process of Glycogen synthesis

- Glycogen is synthesized when blood glucose levels are high .
- Glucose is converted into glucose-6-phosphate by the action of: Hexokinase catalyses this reaction in most tissues.

In the liver and pancreas there is an extra enzyme; Glucokinase exhibiting different kinetic properties.

# Phases of Glycogenesis

Activation

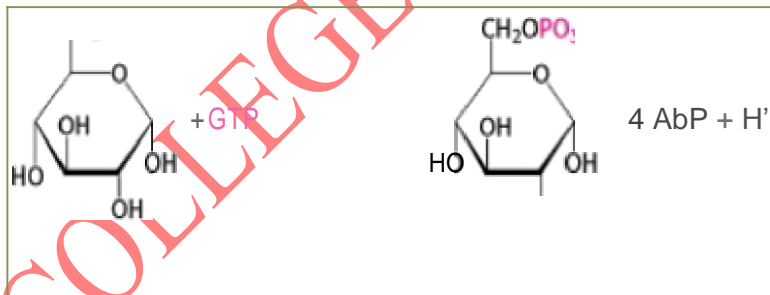
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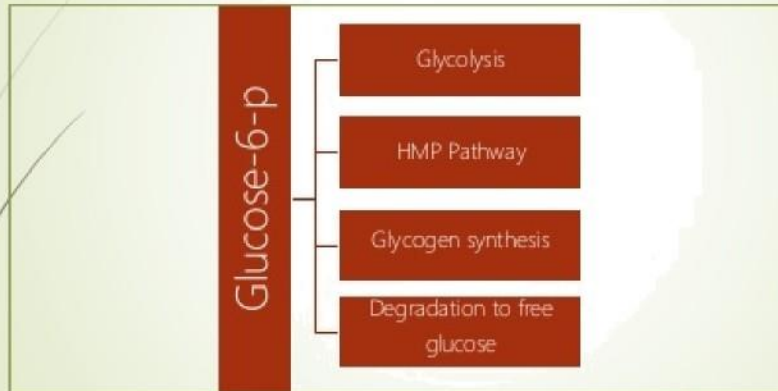
Glycogen  
Branching

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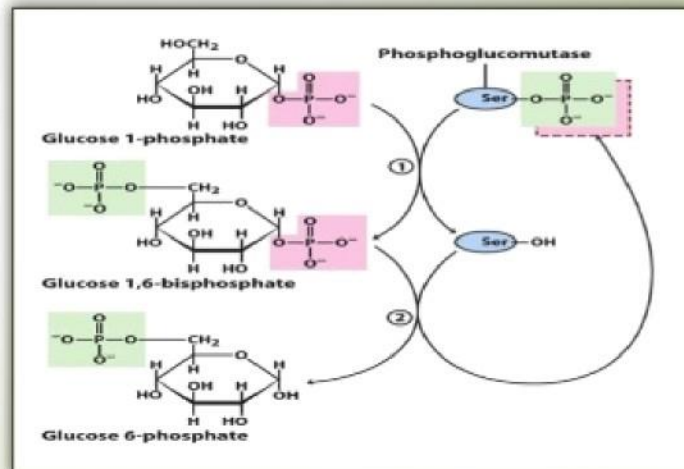
## Step-1 - Phosphorylation of Glucose



## Fate of Glucose-6-P

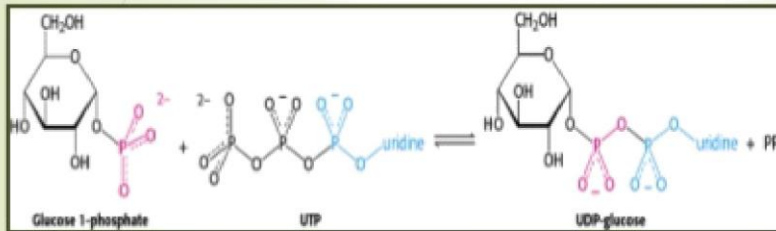


## Step-2- Conversion of Glucose-6-P to Glucose-1-P

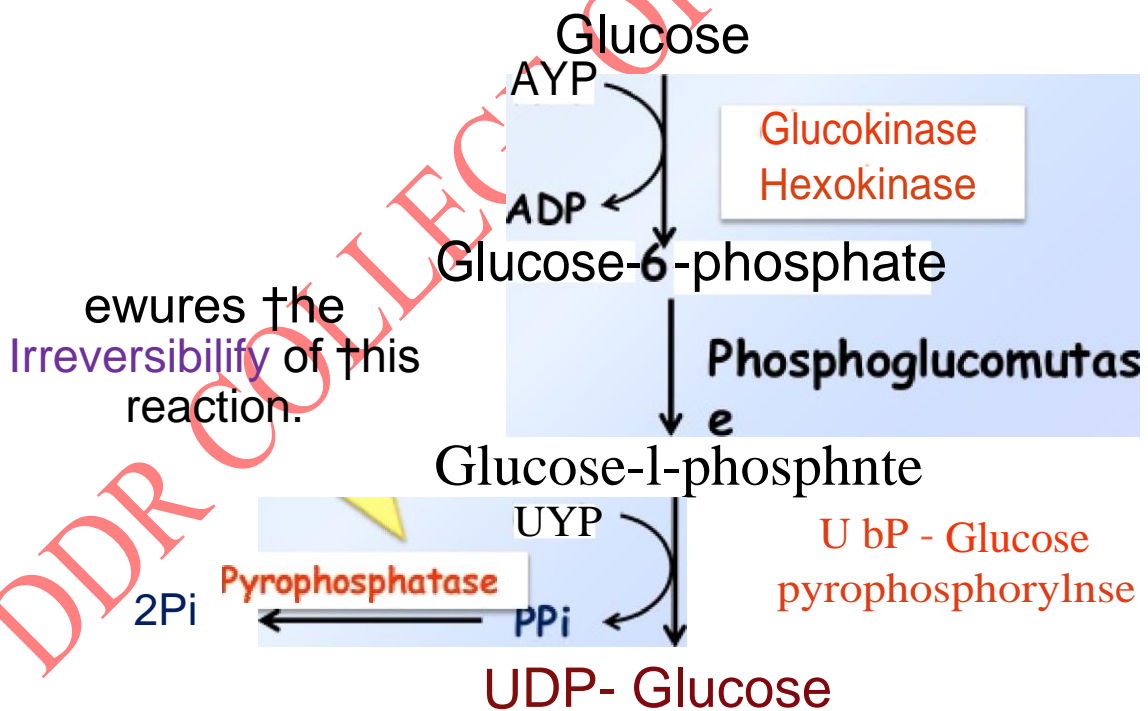




### Step-3- Conversion of Gluco5e-1-P to UDP-Glucose



Synthesis of UDP-6lucoe : **Activated form of 6lucose**



# Synthesis of Primer

to initiate Glycogen synthesis:

Primer is a preexisting a (144) glucosyl chain which will accept the

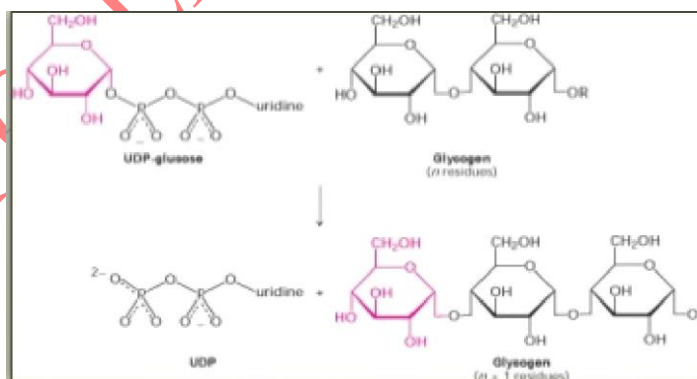
glucosyl residues donated by UDPG.

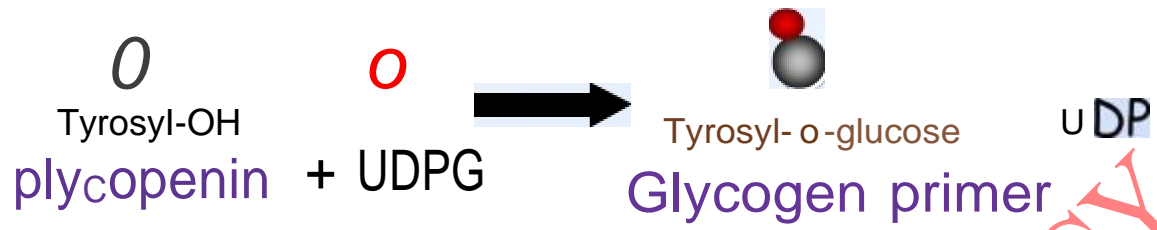
- " Normally a fragment of glycogen serves as a primer.
- '^ When glycogen stores are depleted, a specific protein known as

**GLYCOGENIN** provides the site at which the primer is built.



## Incorporation of UDP-Glucose into-glycogen





Glycogen primer

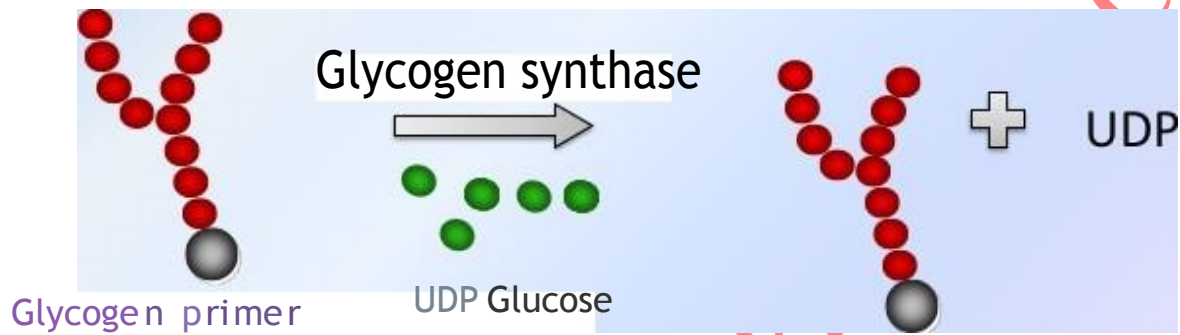
• uDPs  
(n residue)

Glycogen + UDP  
(n+1residues)

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## *Elongation of the chain:*

Glycogen Synthase - Key Regulatory Enzyme in Glycogen Synthesis



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## *Formation of Branches in Glycogen:*

The branch points - created by the action of Branching enzyme or glucosyl 4:6 transferase.

When the chain is minimum 11 glucose residues long, branching enzyme removes a block of 6-8 glucosyl units from the non reducing end of the chain and attaches it via an  $\alpha(1\rightarrow6)$  linkage to a glucose residue of the same or other chain.

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## *Lysosomal degradation of Glycogen*

@ A STORED QUANTITY OF 'GLYCOGEN' IS CONTINUOUSLY degraded in the lysosomes.

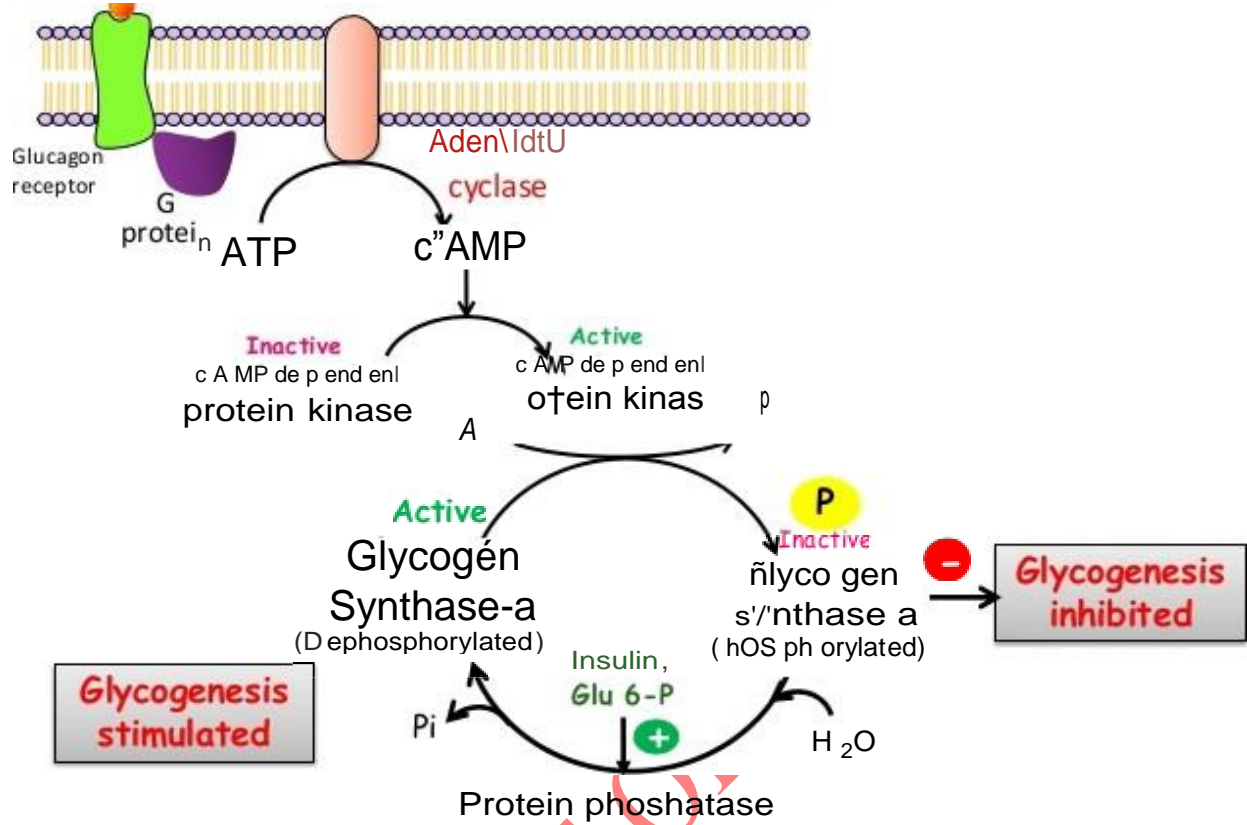
By the lysosomal enzyme  $\alpha$ -1,4-glucosidase (acid maltase).

**GB** The significance of this pathway is unknown. However, a deficiency of this enzyme cause accumulation of glycogen in the cytosol.

Results in glycogen storage disease type II (Pompe's disease)

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Glucagon



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# *Glycogen Degradation*

## *(Glycogenolysis)*

**Definition:** It is the degradation of glycogen to glucose 6-phosphate & glucose in muscle & liver respectively.

**Substrate:** Glycogen

**Site:** Liver, Skeletal Muscles

**Subcellular site:** Cytosol.

**Steps:** 1. Action of **Glycogen Phosphorylase**  
2. Action of Debranching Enzyme  
3. Formation of Glucose.

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## *Debranching Enzyme - Bifunctional*

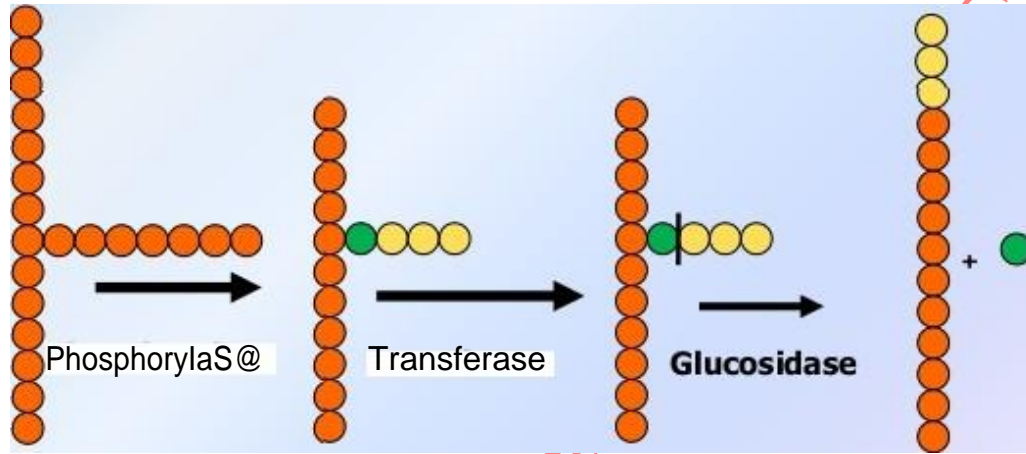
Glucosyl 4:4 transferase activity transfers the 3 of the 4 glucosyl units and involves cleaving of an  $\alpha(1E4)$  linkage at one site and formation of new  $\alpha(1E4)$  bond elsewhere.

The key enzyme for removing branch points is the debranching enzyme -  $\alpha(1G6)$  glucosidase – breaks  $\alpha(1E6)$  bonds - free glucose released.

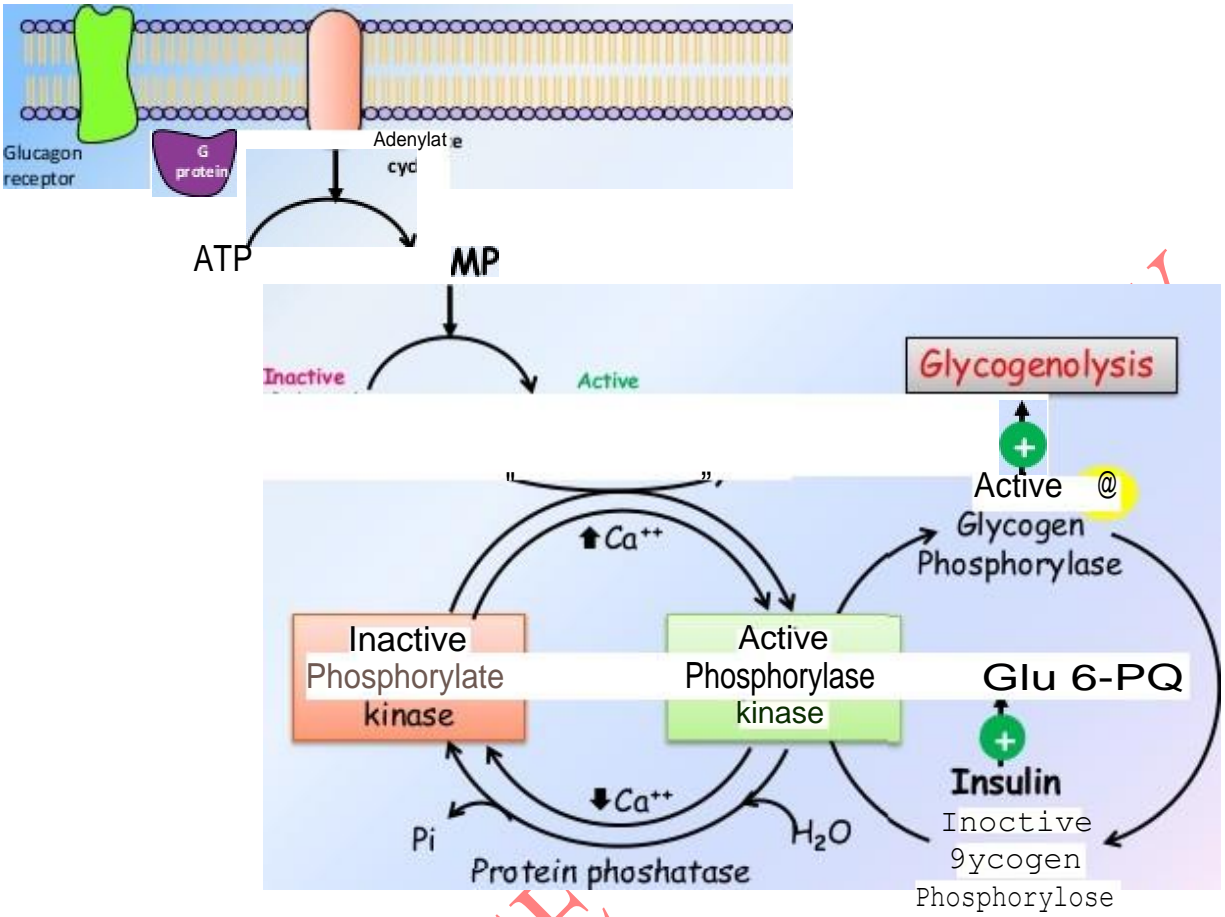
Ratio of Glu-1-P to Free Glucose – 8:1.

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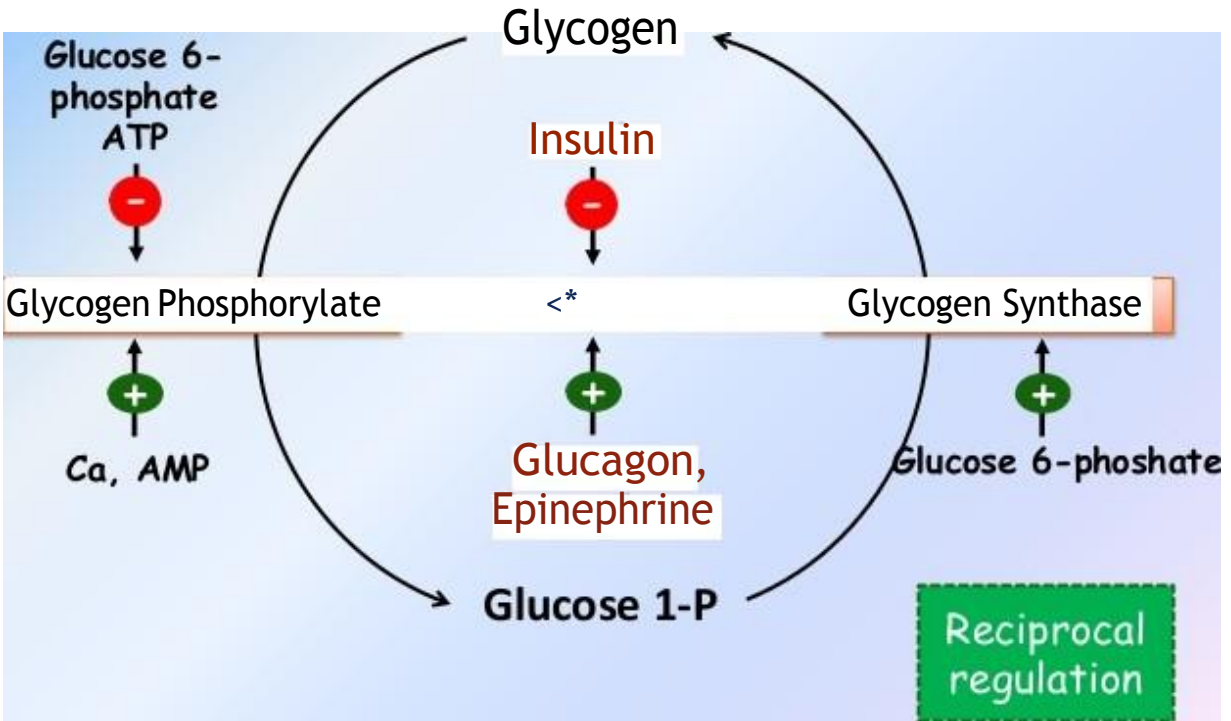
# Glycogenolysis:



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# Glycogen Metabolism(Summary)

oGlycogen represents the **principal storage** form of carbohydrate in the body, mainly in the **liver and muscle**

oGlycogen is synthesized from glucose by the pathway of glycogenesis.

oIt is broken down by a separate pathway, glycogenolysis. Glycogenolysis leads to glucose formation in liver and lactate formation in muscle owing to the respective presence or absence of glucose 6-phosphatase.

u**Cyclic AMP** integrates the regulation of **glycogenolysis and glycogenesis** by promoting the simultaneous activation of phosphorylase and inhibition of glycogen synthase.

□ **Insulin acts reciprocally by inhibiting glycogenolysis and stimulating glycogenesis.**

□ **Inherited deficiencies in specific enzymes of glycogen metabolism in both liver and muscle are the causes of glycogen storage diseases.**

## Biological significance

**When the blood glucose** is low as in fasting or starvation, the predominant hormones such as Glucagon and epinephrine trigger the E-AMP mediated phosphorylation cascade.

L| In the phosphorylated state glycogen synthase becomes inactive whereas Phosphorylase becomes active,

I| Glycogenesis is switched "off" and Glycogenolysis is switched "on".

L| Liver glycogen breakdown restores the lowered blood glucose concentration back to normal

## Biological significance

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When the blood glucose concentration is high- Insulin, the main hormone, promotes the dephosphorylated forms of the enzymes by disrupting the cAMP mediated phosphorylation cascade and by stimulating the phosphatase activities.

Glycogen phosphorylase in the dephosphorylated form becomes inactive whereas the Glycogen synthase in that state becomes active.

Hence extra glucose is used for glycogen synthesis and blood glucose concentration is restored back to normal.

## Conclusion

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Glycogenesis and glycogenolysis are reciprocally regulated.

Insulin promotes glycogenesis.

Glucagon and epinephrine promote glycogenolysis.

Glycogenesis is the process of well-fed state.

Glycogenolysis is the process of Fasting or starvation.

Both these processes are meant for maintaining the blood glucose concentration within the normal range.

# inical Significance

## Glycogen Storage Diseases

"Glycogen storage disease" is a generic term to describe a group of inherited disorders characterized by deposition of an abnormal type or quantity of glycogen in tissues, or failure to mobilize glycogen.



# Glycogen Storage Diseases

**Symptoms** in addition to excess glycogen storage:

When a genetic defect affects mainly an isoform of an enzyme expressed in a common symptom is ! , relating to impaired mobilization of glucose for release to the blood during fasting.

When the defect is & difficulty with exercise result from inability to increase glucose entry into glycogen exercise.

Additional symptoms depend on the particular enzyme that is deficient.

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Type I	Von Gierke’s disease	Deficiency of glucose-6-phosphatase with glycogen. Hypoglycemia,
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Type PIN.

Deficiency of liver phosphorylase kinase	High glycogen content in liver, tendency toward hypoglycemia.
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## Regulation of Blood glucose

Postabsorptive state: Blood glucose is 4.5-5.5mmol/L.

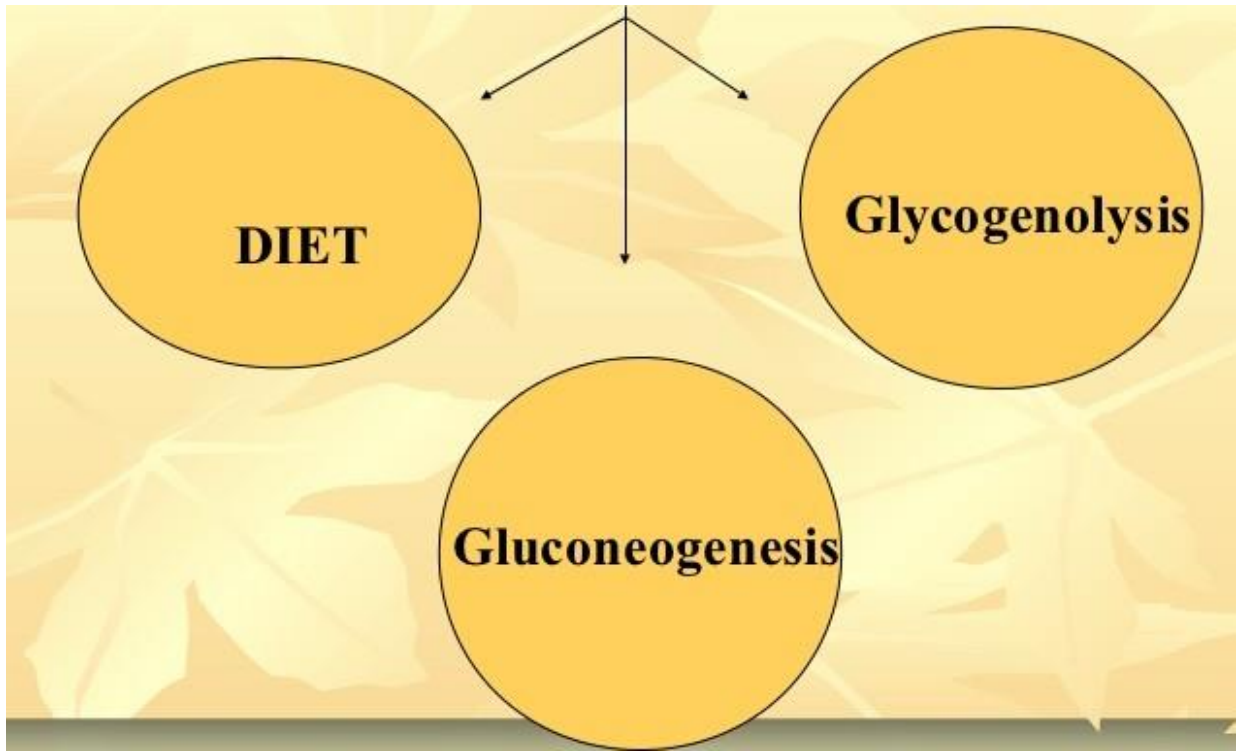
After carbohydrate meal: 6.5-7.2mmol/L

Durine fasting : 3.3-3.9mmol/L

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Blood Glucose



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## Metabolic & hormonal mechanisms

### regulate blood glucose level

Maintenance of stable levels of glucose in blood is by

- " Liver.
- " Extrahepatic tissues.
- " Hormones

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## Liver

Freely permeable to glucose via GLUT-2 transporter.

- Passage through cell membrane is rate limiting step
- Glucose is phosphorylated by hexokinase on entry into cell

## Extrahepatic tissues

- Relatively impermeable to glucose.
- Passage is facilitated through various enzymes.

It has directional control of glucose into the cell.

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# Regulation of blood glucose levels

## Insulin

Anabolic in response to hyperglycemia

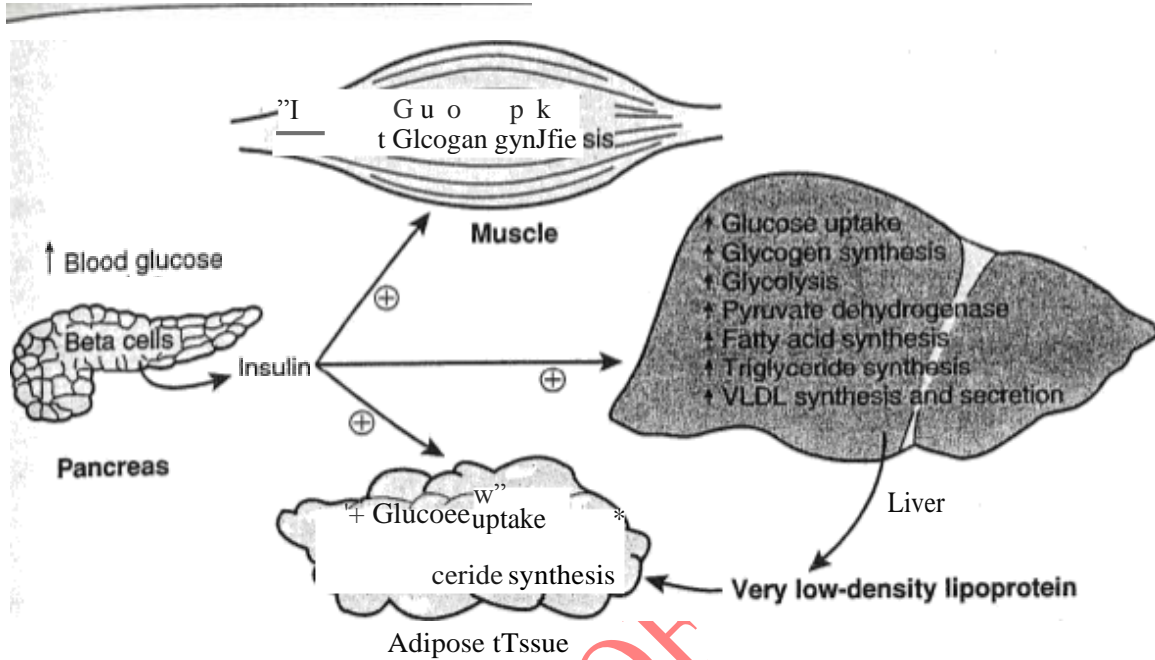
- Stimulates glycogen synthesis, glycolysis, and fatty acid synthesis
- Stimulates glycogen synthesis

### Adipose tissue

- Stimulates lipoprotein lipase resulting in uptake of fatty acids from chylomicrons and VLDL
  - Stimulates glycolysis for glycerol phosphate synthesis (precursor to triglycerides)
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# Role in insulin in lowering blood glucose



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## Glucagon

- " Produced by A cells of islets of langerhans of pancreas
  - " Actions opposite to Insulin.
  - " Its secretion is stimulated by hypoglycemia.
  - " It stimulates glycogenolysis & gluconeogenesis from amino acids & lactate.
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# Regulation of blood glucose levels by Glucagon

Catabolic, in response to hypoglycemia

## Liver

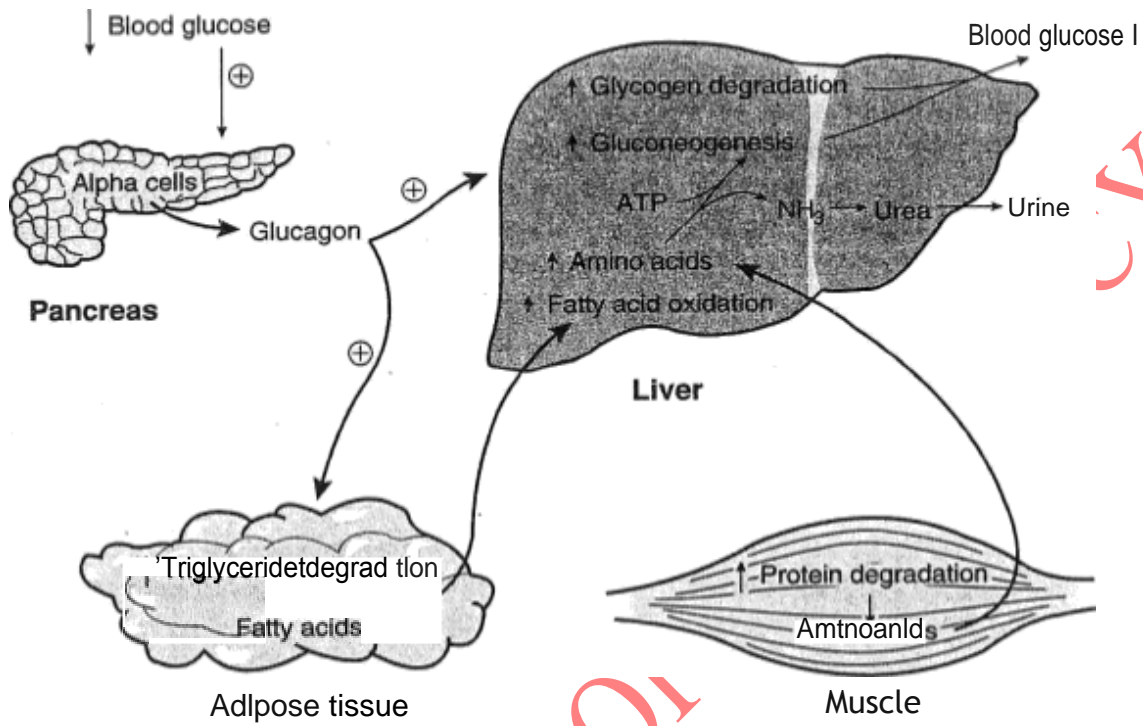
- Activates glycogen degradation, gluconeogenesis

## Adipose tissue

- Stimulates lipolysis and release of fatty acids
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# Role of glucagon



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## Role of thyroid hormone

It stimulates glycogenolysis & gluconeogenesis.

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Hyperthyroid

Fasting blood glucose is lowered. - Fasting blood glucose is elevated

Patients have decreased ability to utilise glucose. - Patient utilise glucose at normal or increased

Patients are less sensitive to insulin than normal or hyperthyroid patients. rate

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## Glucocorticoids

- " Glucocorticoids are antagonistic to insulin.
  - " Inhibit the utilisation of glucose in extrahepatic tissues.
  - " Increased gluconeogenesis
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## Epinephrine

Secreted by adrenal medulla.

- " It stimulates glycogenolysis in liver & muscle.
  - " It diminishes the release of insulin from pancreas.
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## Other Hormones

Anterior pituitary hormones

Growth hormone:

- " Elevates blood glucose level & antagonizes action of insulin.
  - " Growth hormone is stimulated by hypoglycemia (decreases glucose uptake in tissues)
  - " Chronic administration of growth hormone leads to diabetes due to B cell exhaustion.
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## SEX HORMONES

" Estrogens cause increased liberation of insulin.

Testosterone decrease blood sugar level.

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### Hyperglycemia

Thirst dry mouth  
Polyuria  
Tiredness, fatigue  
Blurring of vision.  
Nausea, headache,  
Hyperphagia  
Mood change

### Hypoglycemia

- Sweating
  - Trembling, pounding heart
  - Anxiety, hunger
  - Confusion, drowsiness
  - Speech difficulty
  - Incoordination.
  - Inability to concentrate
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## Clinical aspects

Glycosuria: occurs when venous blood glucose concentration exceeds 9.5-10.0mmol/L

Fructose- 1,6-Biphosphatase deficiency causes lactic acidosis & hypoglycemia..

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# Diabetes Mellitus

A multi-organ catabolic response caused by insulin insufficiency

- Protein catabolism for gluconeogenesis
  - Lipolysis for fatty acid release
  - Ketogenesis from fatty acid oxidation
  - Gluconeogenesis from amino acids and glycerol
  - Ketonuria and cation excretion
  - Renal ammoniogenesis.
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## Role of carbohydrates in dental caries

- Fermentable carbohydrates causes loss of caries resistance.
- Caries process is an interplay between oral bacteria, local carbohydrates & tooth surface

Bacteria + Sugars+ Teeth ——— Organic acids

Caries

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