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GLYCOLYSIS



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- Glycolysis => a set of reactions => take place in **cytoplasm** of prokaryotes and eukaryotes.
- Glycolysis => an almost **universal central pathway** of glucose catabolism.
- major roles of glycolysis => **produce energy** and **intermediates** for biosynthetic pathways.

Glycolysis has two Phases

• Preparatory phase

• Pay Off Phase

- In **preparatory phase** of glycolysis \Rightarrow two molecules of **ATP** are **invested** and hexose is **cleaved** \Rightarrow two triose phosphates (glyceraldehyde 3 phosphate and Dihydroxy acetone phosphate).
- The **payoff phase** of glycolysis includes **energy-conserving phosphorylation** steps \Rightarrow some of the **free energy** of the glucose molecule is **conserved** \Rightarrow **ATP**.



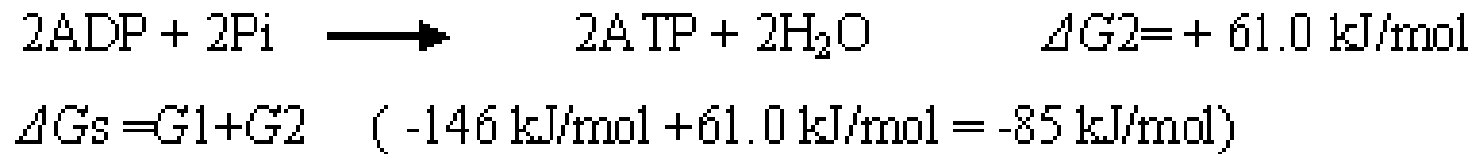
- **one molecule** of glucose => **two molecules** of glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate => **both halves** of the glucose molecule follow the **same pathway** in second phase of glycolysis.
- conversion of two molecules of **glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate** => two molecules of **pyruvate** is accompanied by => formation of **four molecules of ATP** from ADP.
- **net yield of ATP** per molecule of **glucose** degraded is **only two** => because **two ATP** were invested in the **preparatory phase** of glycolysis to **phosphorylate** the two ends of the hexose molecule.



- For each molecule of **glucose degraded** \Rightarrow **pyruvate** \Rightarrow two molecules of ATP are generated from ADP and Pi.



- formation of ATP from ADP and Pi \Rightarrow is endergonic:



However, complete oxidation of glucose to **carbon dioxide and water** proceeds with a **standard free-energy change** of -2,840 kJ/mol.

Irreversible / Regulatory steps in glycolysis

Hexokinase

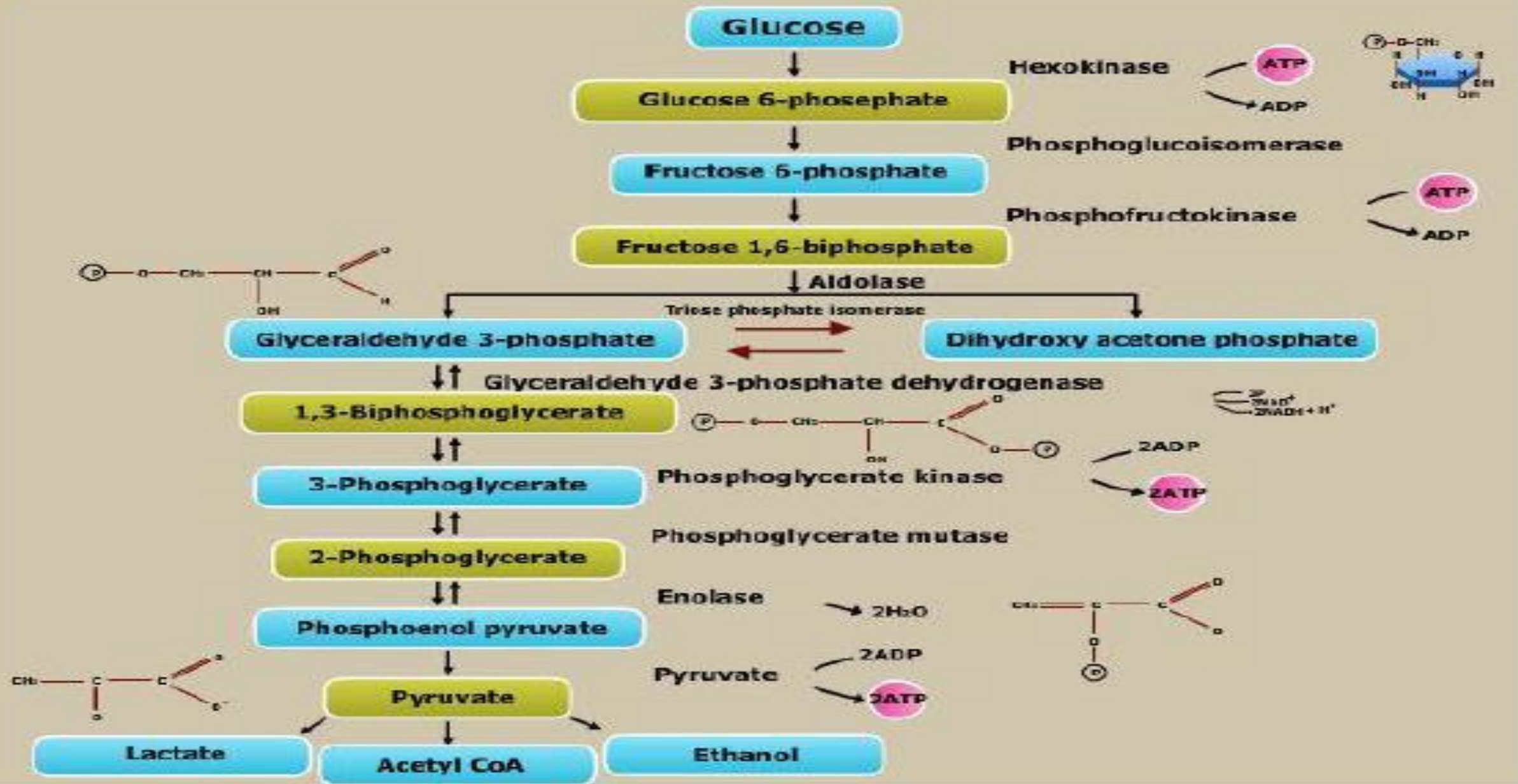
- Hexokinase => present in **all cells** of all organisms.
- Hepatocytes also contain a form of hexokinase called **hexokinase IV** or **glucokinase**, which differs from other forms of hexokinase in **kinetic and regulatory properties**.
- Two enzymes that catalyze the same reaction but are encoded in different genes are => called **isozymes**.

Phosphofructokinase

- PFK-1 reaction is essentially **irreversible** under cellular conditions
- it is **first “committed” step** in the glycolytic pathway
- glucose 6-phosphate and fructose 6-phosphate have other possible fates, but **fructose 1,6-diphosphate** is targeted => **glycolysis**.
- **Phosphofructokinase-1** is a **regulatory enzyme** => activity is **increased** whenever the cell's **ATP supply is depleted** or when the ATP breakdown products => **ADP and AMP are in excess**.
- enzyme is **inhibited** whenever the cell has **ample ATP** and is well supplied by other fuels such as fatty acids.

Pyruvate kinase

last step in glycolysis is \Rightarrow transfer of phosphoryl group from phosphoenolpyruvate \Rightarrow to ADP, catalyzed by pyruvate kinase, which requires K^+ and either Mg^{2+} or Mn^{2+} .



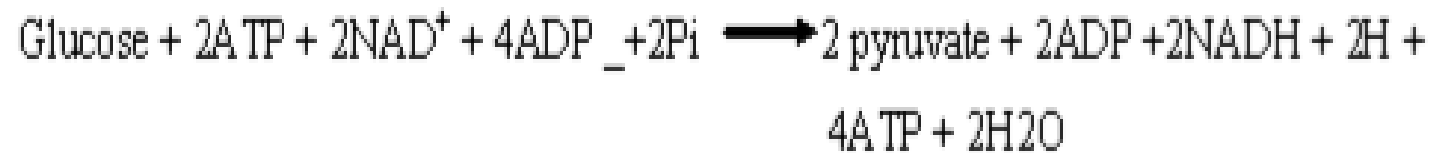
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Pasteur Effect

- Louis Pasteur discovered \Rightarrow both the **rate** and the **total amount of glucose consumption** were \Rightarrow many times **greater** under **anaerobic** than **aerobic conditions**.
- ATP yield from glycolysis under **anaerobic conditions** (**2 ATP per molecule of glucose**) is much smaller than that from the complete oxidation of **glucose to CO₂** under **aerobic conditions** (**32 ATP per glucose**).
- About **16 times** as much glucose must therefore be consumed anaerobically as aerobically to yield the **same amount of ATP**.

Substrate-level phosphorylation

enzyme phosphoglycerate kinase transfers the high-energy phosphoryl group from the carboxyl group of 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate to ADP => forming ATP and 3-phosphoglycerate. Thus by consuming the product of 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate of previous step, keeps [1,3-bisphosphoglycerate] relatively low in the steady state. The outcome of these coupled reactions, both reversible under cellular conditions, is that the energy released on oxidation of an aldehyde to a carboxylate group is conserved by the coupled formation of ATP from ADP and Pi. The formation of ATP by phosphoryl group transfer from a substrate such as 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate is referred to as a substrate-level phosphorylation, to distinguish this mechanism from respiration-linked phosphorylation. Substrate-level phosphorylations involve soluble enzymes and chemical intermediates (1,3-bisphosphoglycerate in this case). Respiration-linked phosphorylations, on the other hand, involve membrane-bound enzymes and transmembrane gradients of protons



In the overall glycolytic process, **one molecule of glucose is converted => two molecules of pyruvate** (the pathway of carbon).

Two molecules of ADP and two of Pi are converted => two molecules of ATP (the pathway of phosphoryl groups).

Four electrons => as two hydride ions, are transferred from two molecules of glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate => two of NAD⁺ (the pathway of electrons).



Fate of Pyruvate

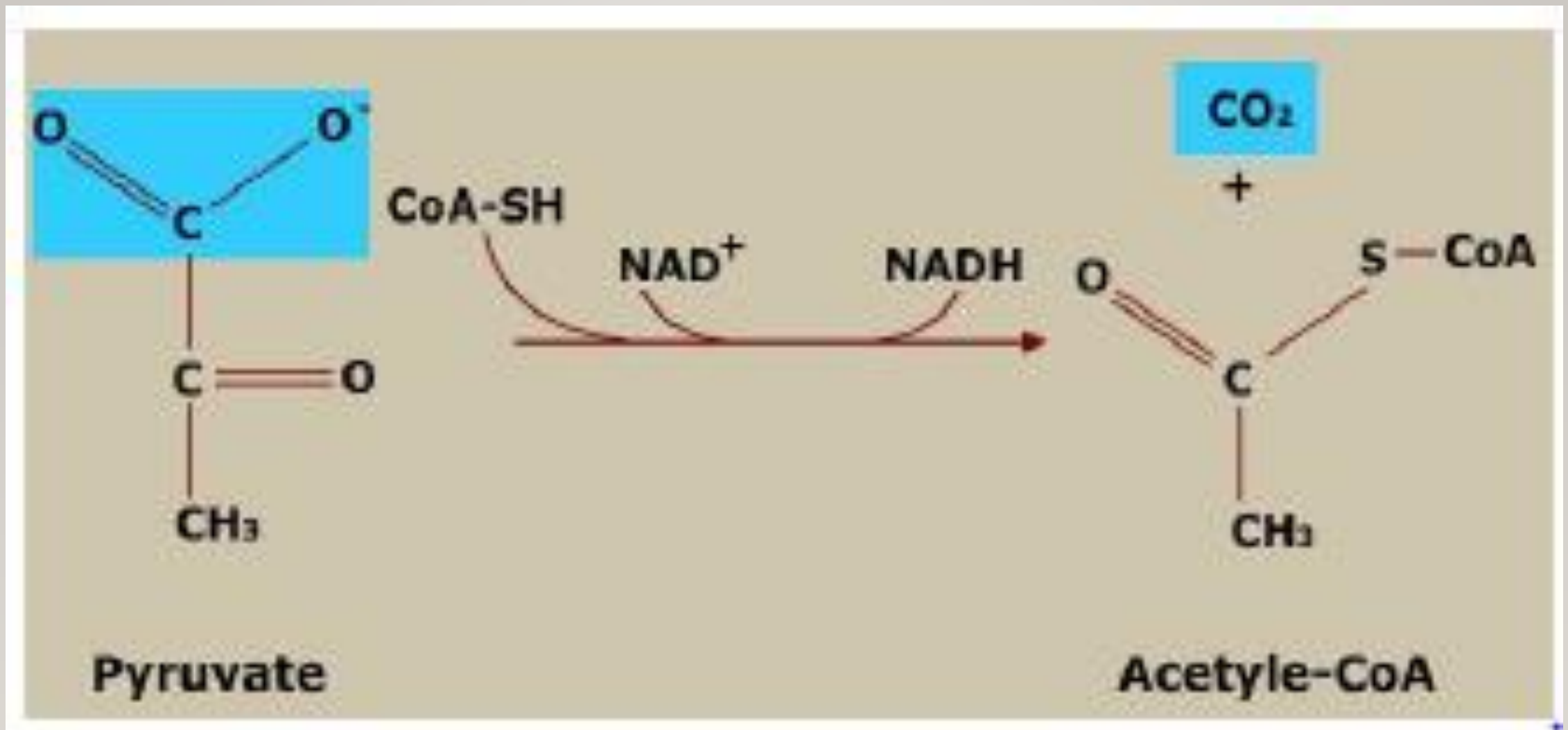
Entry into citric acid cycle

Glycolysis releases => relatively **little of the energy** present in a glucose molecule

much more is released by => subsequent operation of **citric acid cycle** and **oxidative phosphorylation**

Under **aerobic conditions** => **pyruvate** is converted => **acetyl Co-A** by the enzyme **pyruvate dehydrogenase** which enters => **citric acid cycle**.





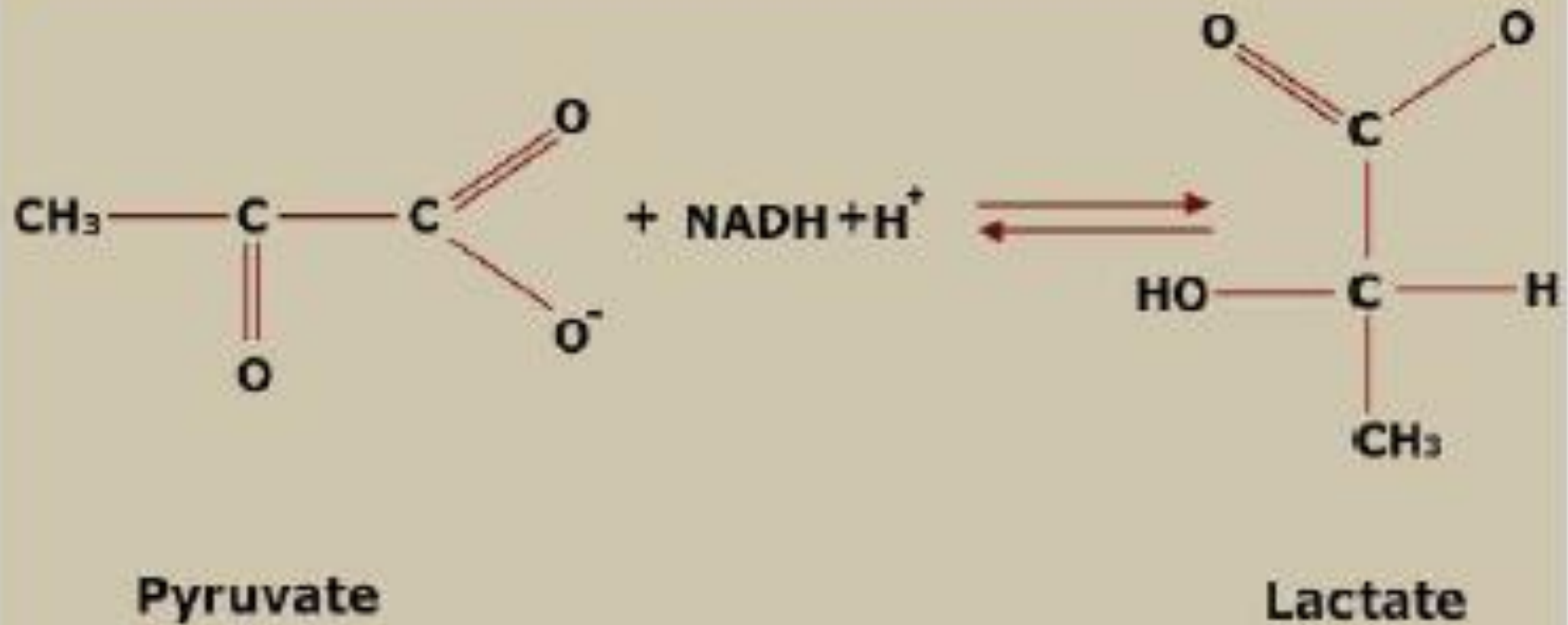
Entry of Pyruvate (PDH) into citric acid cycle

Conversion to fatty acids or ketone bodies

When cellular energy level is high (**ATP in excess**)
=> rate of **citric acid cycle decreases**, and
acetyl CoA begins to accumulate and is used for
=> **fatty acid** or **ketone body synthesis** .

Conversion to lactate

- **NAD⁺** used during glycolysis in the formation of 1,3 diphosphoglycerate, by glyceraldehyde 3- phosphate dehydrogenase must be **regenerated** if **glycolysis has to continue**.
- Under **aerobic conditions**, **NAD⁺** is **regenerated** by **reoxidation of NADH** via electron transport chain.
- when oxygen is limiting as in muscle **during exercise** reoxidation of **NADH to NAD⁺** by ETC is insufficient to maintain glycolysis . Hence **NAD⁺** is **regenerated** by conversion of the **pyruvate => lactate** by lactate dehydrogenase.



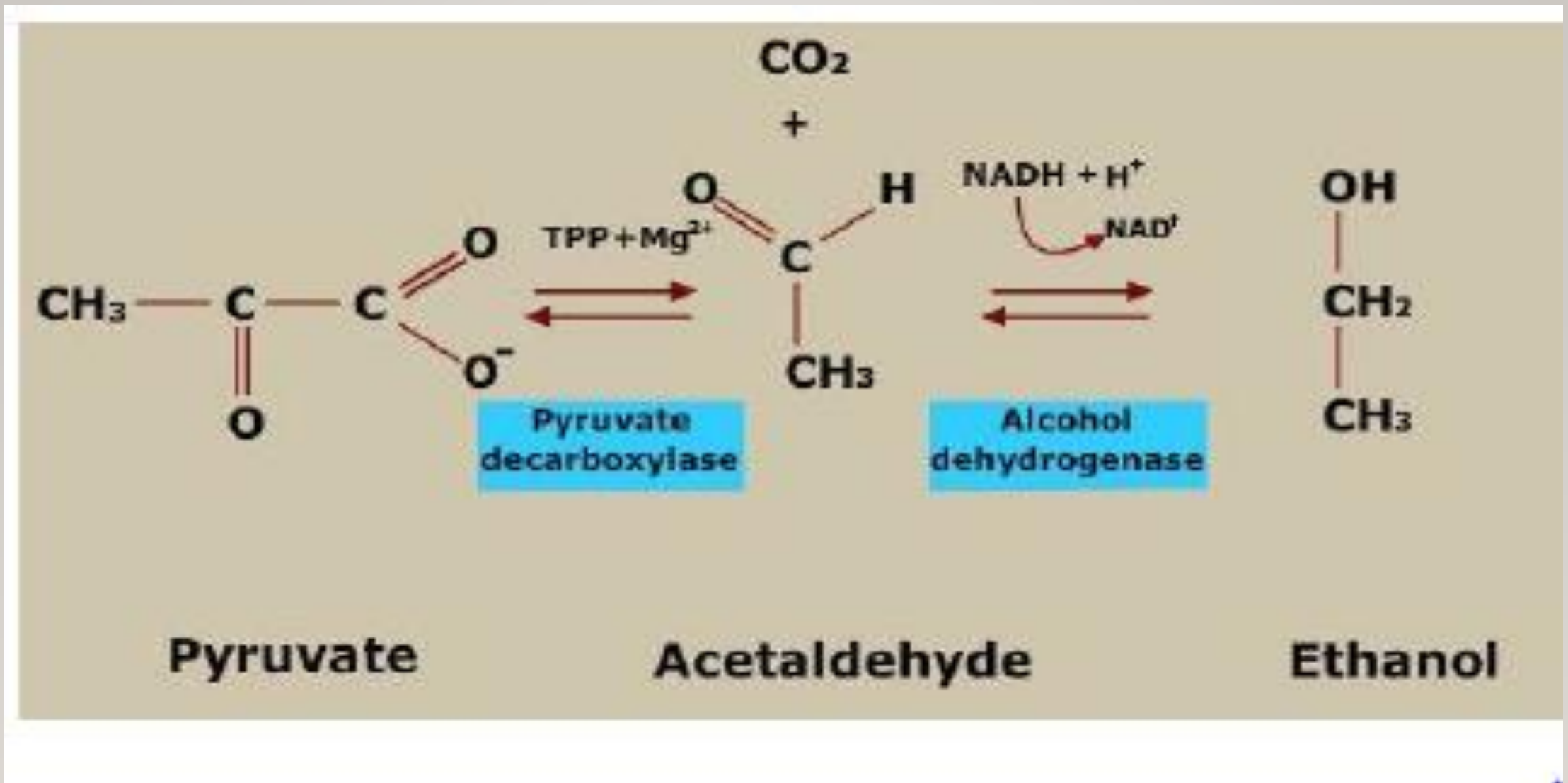
Conversion of Pyruvate to lactate

Alcoholic fermentation

In microbes, NAD^+ is required for continuation of glycolysis under anaerobic conditions.

So, pyruvate is converted \Rightarrow acetaldehyde by pyruvate decarboxylase and then to ethanol by alcohol dehydrogenase.

The last reaction simultaneously reoxidizes, the NADH to NAD^+ .



Involvement of Pyruvate into Alcoholic fermentation

Entry of other Carbohydrates in Glycolysis

Many carbohydrates besides glucose meet their **catabolic fate** in glycolysis => after being transformed => one of the **glycolytic intermediates**.

most significant are

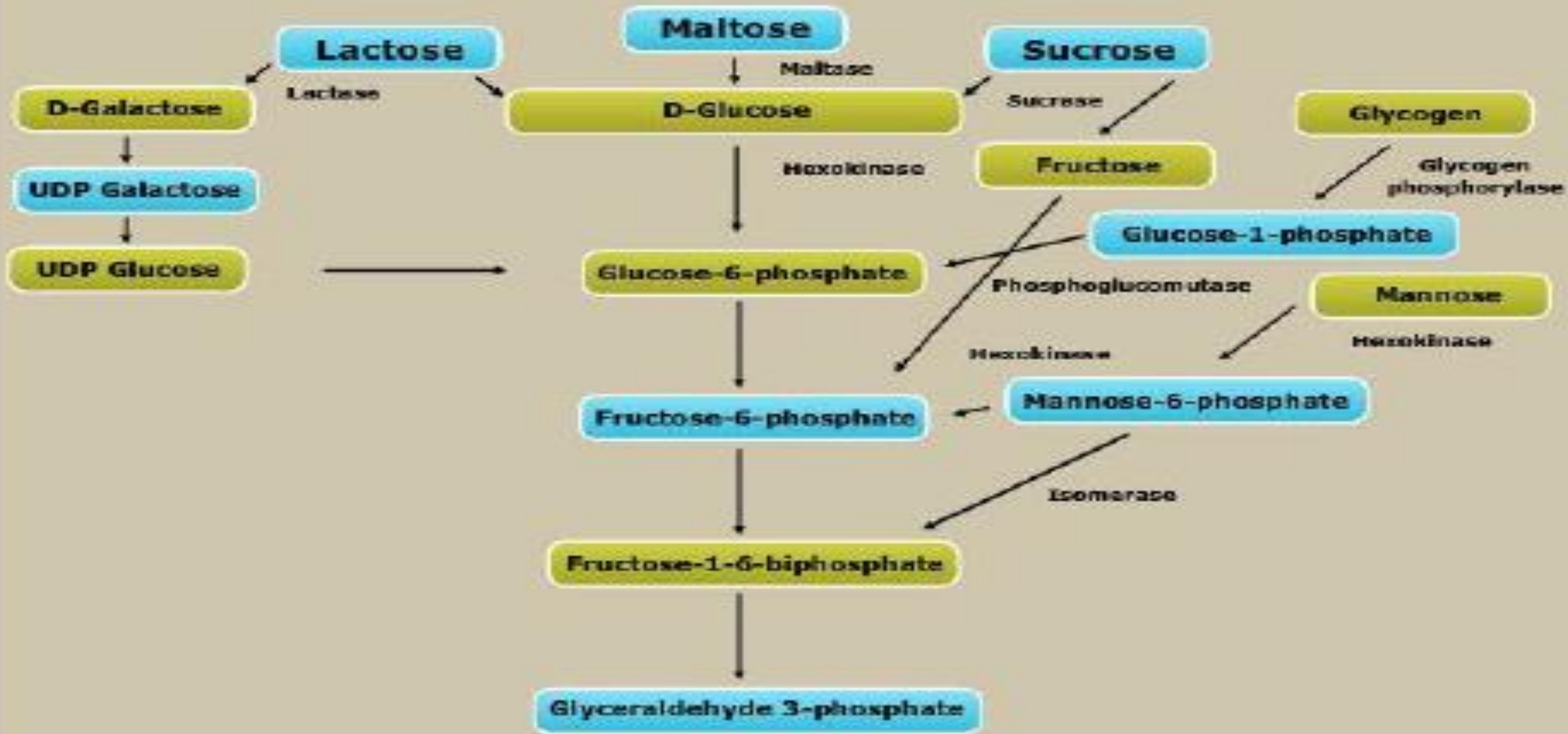
polysaccharides - glycogen and starch;

Disaccharides - maltose, lactose, and sucrose;

Monosaccharides - fructose, mannose, and galactose.

- **Glycogen** in animal tissues can be mobilized => use within same cell by a phosphorolytic reaction catalyzed by **glycogen phosphorylase**.
- This enzyme catalyzes an attack by **Pi** on the **(α 1-4) glycosidic linkage** that joins the last two glucose residues at a nonreducing end => generating **glucose 1-phosphate** and a **polymer** one glucose unit shorter.
- A **debranching enzyme** removes the branches **α 1-6** **glucosidic linkage**.





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