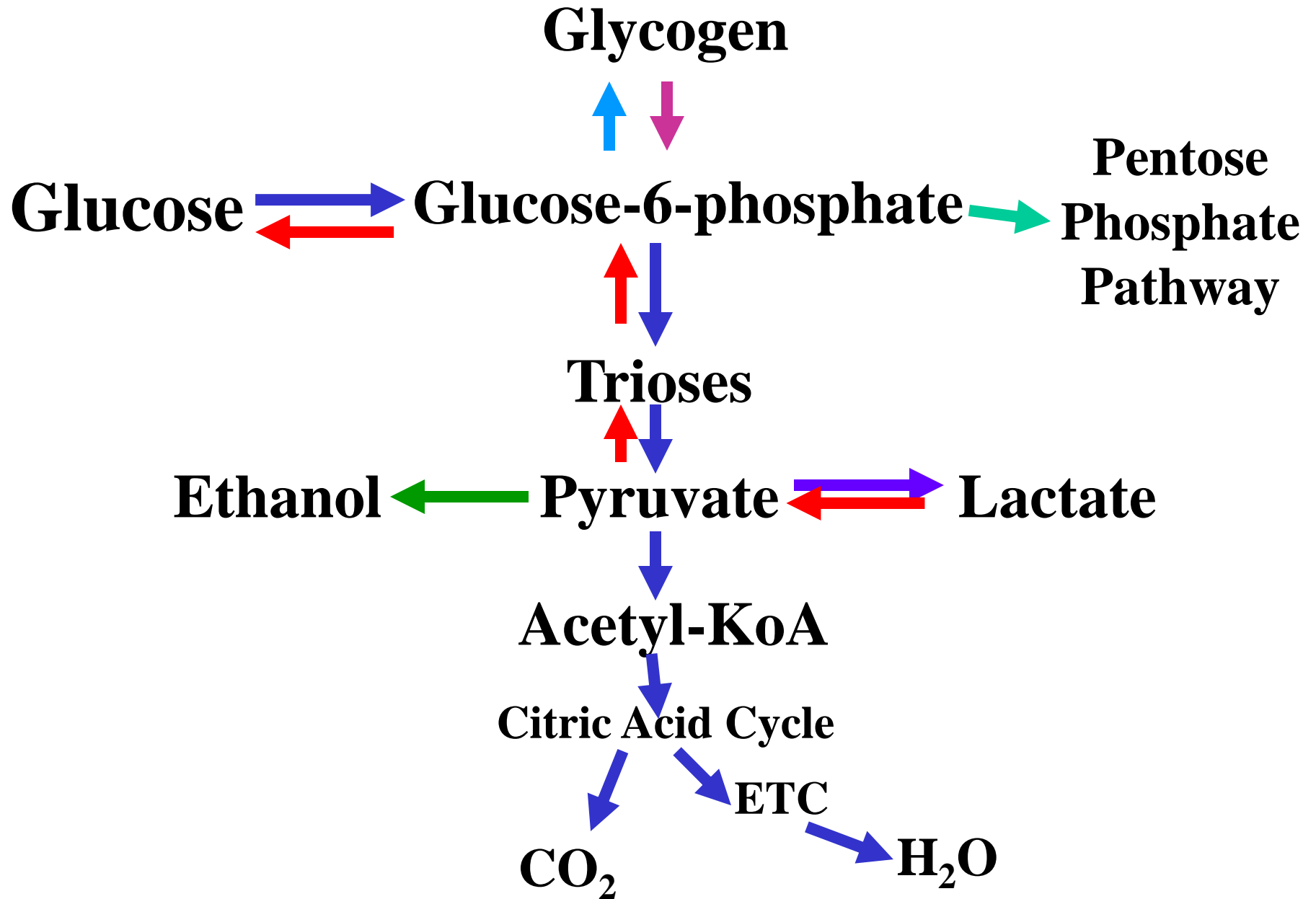


***METABOLISM
OF
CARBOHYDRATES***

Lecture II

The general scheme of glucose metabolism



The general scheme of glucose metabolism (cont.)

- **Glycolysis**

- in aerobic conditions 
- in anaerobic conditions 

- **Gluconeogenesis** 

- **Alcohol fermentation** 

- **Pentose Phosphate Pathway** 

- **Glycogen biosynthesis (glycogenesis)** 

- **Glycogenolysis (mobilisation of glycogen)** 

Glycolysis, the major pathway for glucose metabolism, occurs in the cytosol of all cells.

It can function either **aerobically or **anaerobically**, depending on the availability of oxygen and the ETC.**

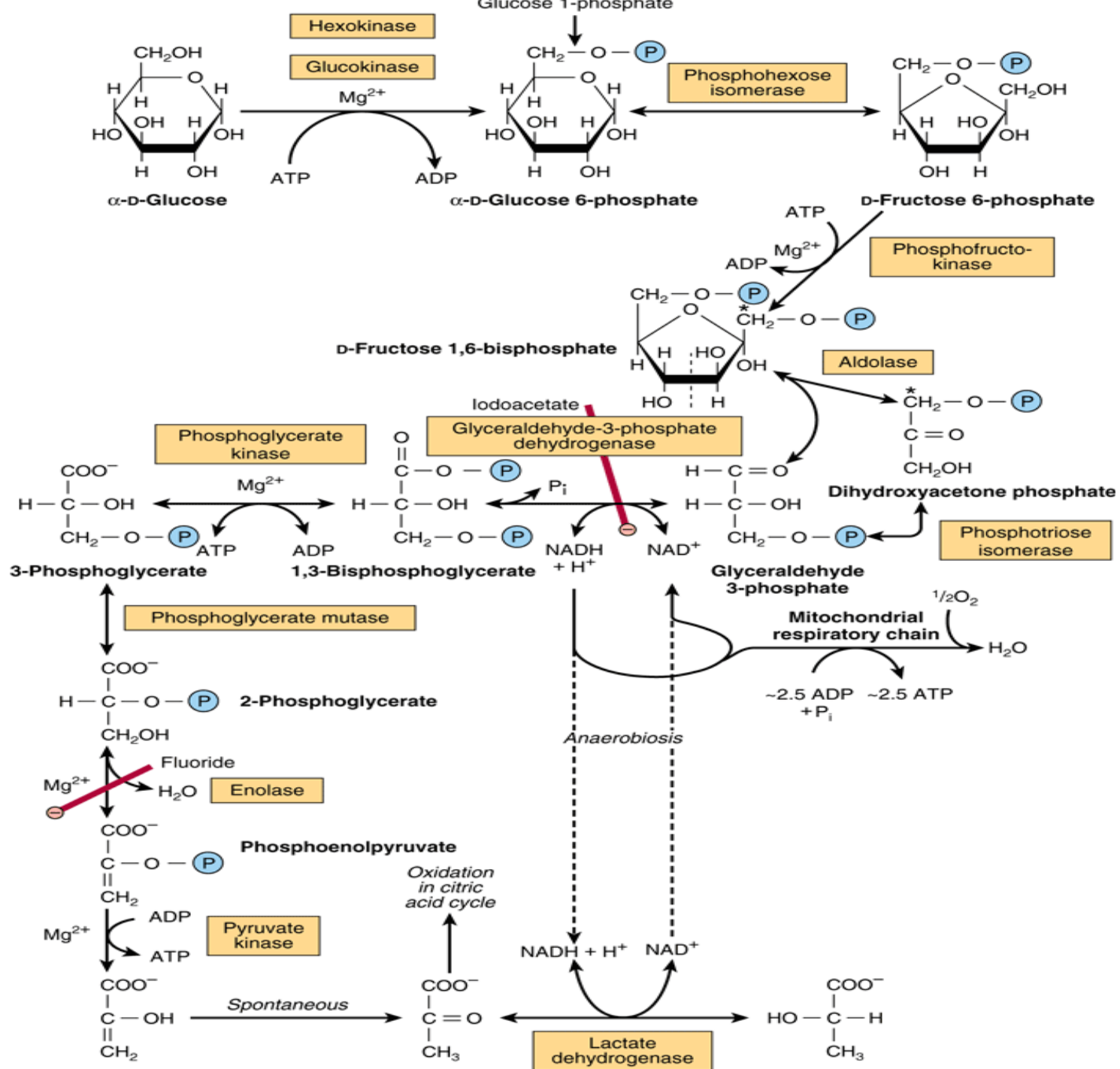
Glycolysis is also the main pathway for the metabolism of fructose, galactose and other carbohydrates.

The roles of glycolysis:

- to produce energy**
- to produce intermediates
for biosynthetic pathways**

Reactions of Glycolysis

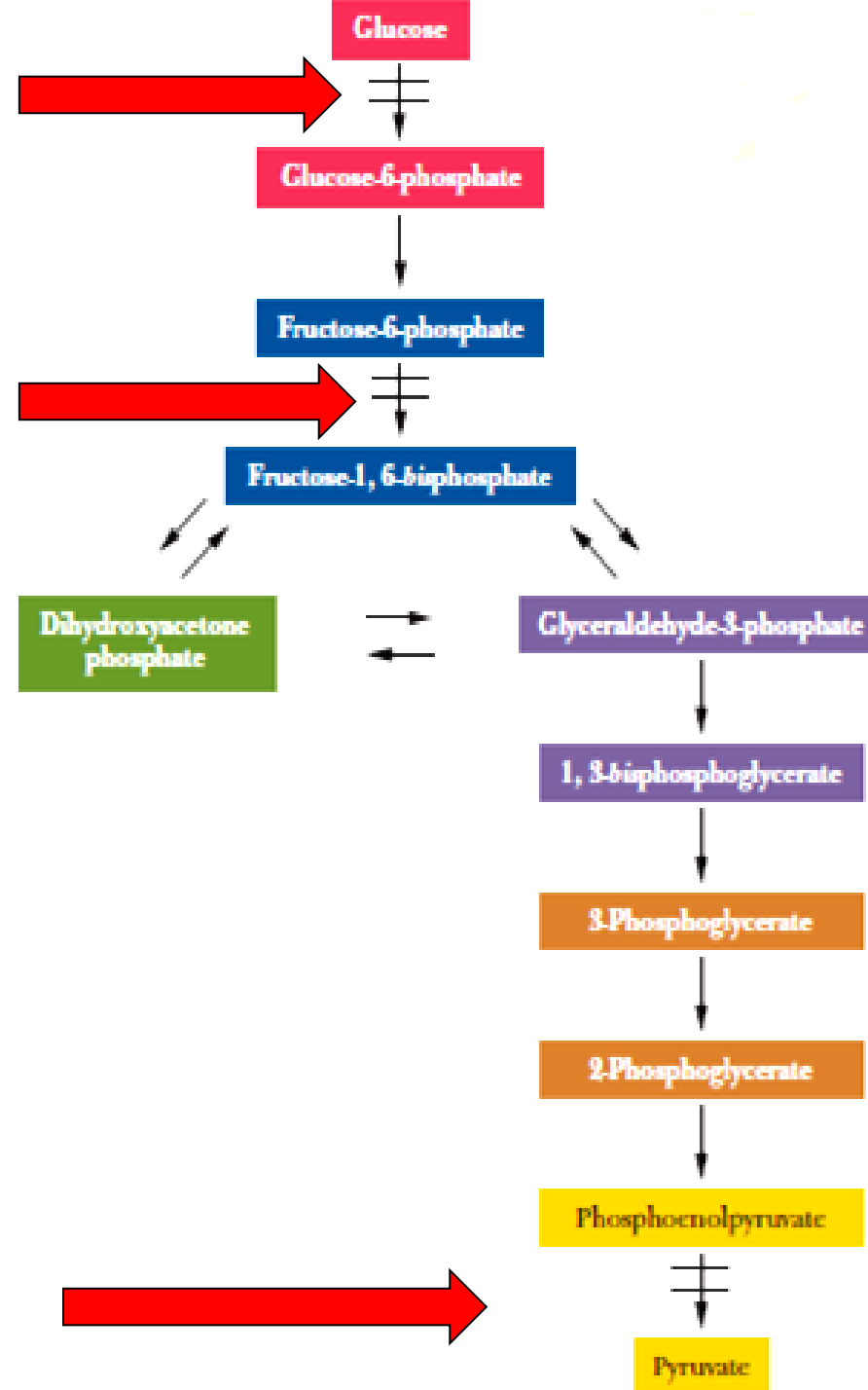
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REGULATION OF GLYCOLYSIS

Irreversible steps
are regulated

- **Hexokinase/Glucokinase**
- **Phosphofructokinase**
- **Pyruvate kinase**



Regulation of Glycolysis

Major sites for regulation:

- **hexokinase**

I: glucose-6-P

- **glucokinase**

A: Insulin

High concentrations of glucose

I: glucagon

Regulation of Glycolysis

Major sites for regulation:

• **phosphofructokinase**

A: Insulin, AMP, fructose 6-P

fructose 2,6-bisphosphate

I: ATP, citrate, glucagon

Regulation of Glycolysis

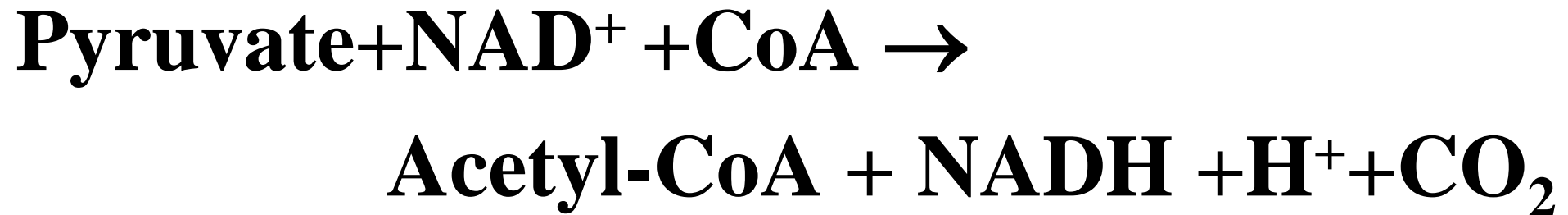
Major sites for regulation:

• **pyruvate kinase**

A: Insulin, fructose 1,6-bisphosphate

I: ATP, alanine, glucagon

**OXIDATIVE DECARBOXYLATION of PYRUVATE
by PYRUVATE DEHYDROGENASE COMPLEX**



Enzymes of complex:

E₁ - pyruvate dehydrogenase

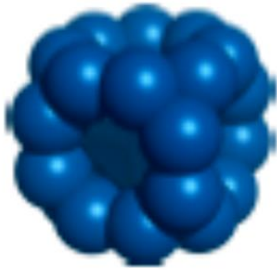
E₂ - dihydrolipoyl transacetylase

E₃ - dihydrolipoyl dehydrogenase

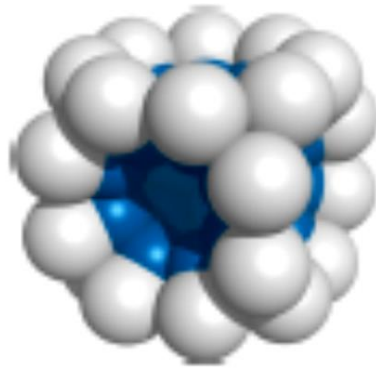
Coenzymes:

thiamin diphosphate, lipoic acid,

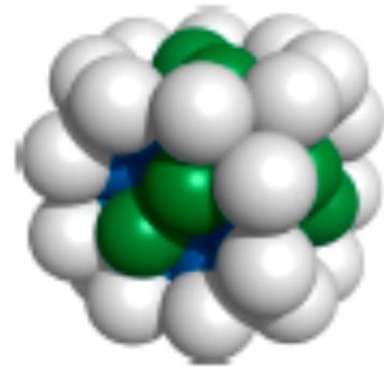
CoA-SH, FAD, NAD⁺



E_2



$E_2 + E_1$



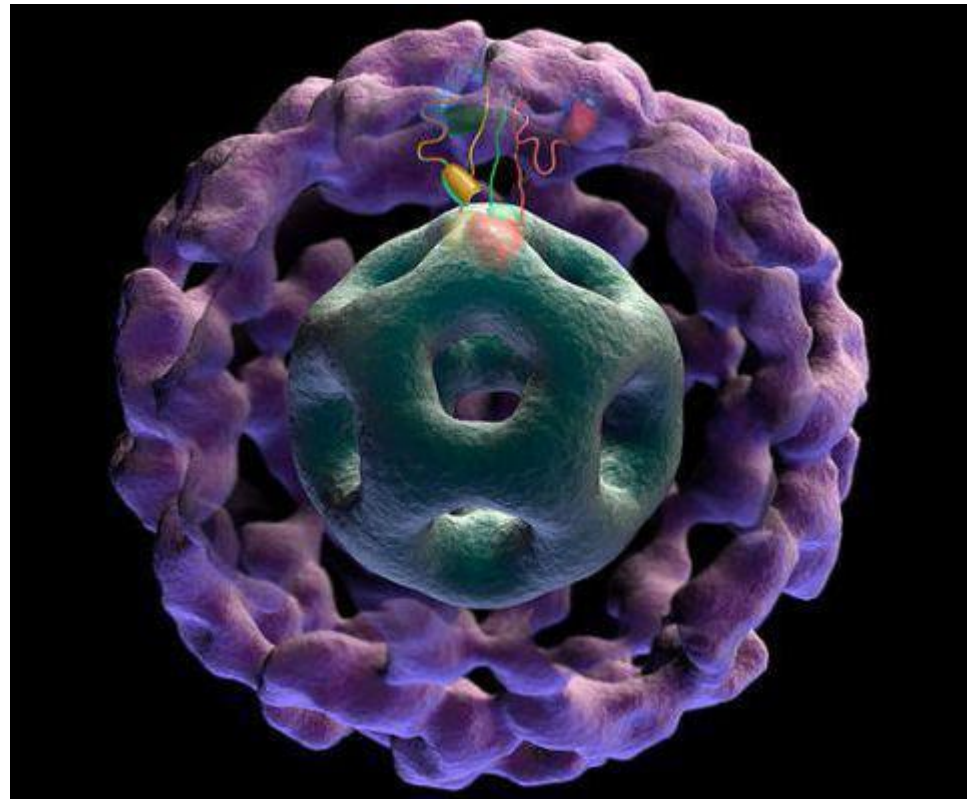
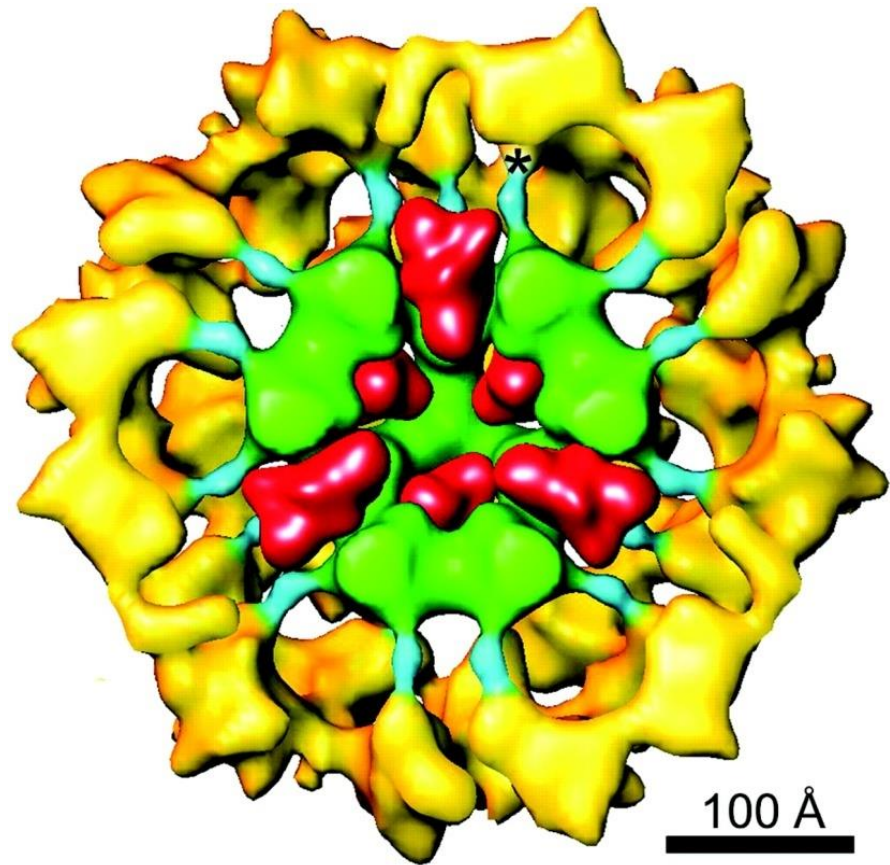
$E_2 + E_1 + E_3$

Each pyruvate dehydrogenase complex contains multiple copies of each of the three enzyme subunits. E_1 and E_2 are present in 24 copies each.

The *E. coli* enzyme contains 12 copies of E_3 , as shown in this illustration, whereas 24 copies are found in the mammalian enzyme.

In addition, the complex also contains regulatory kinase and phosphatase subunits

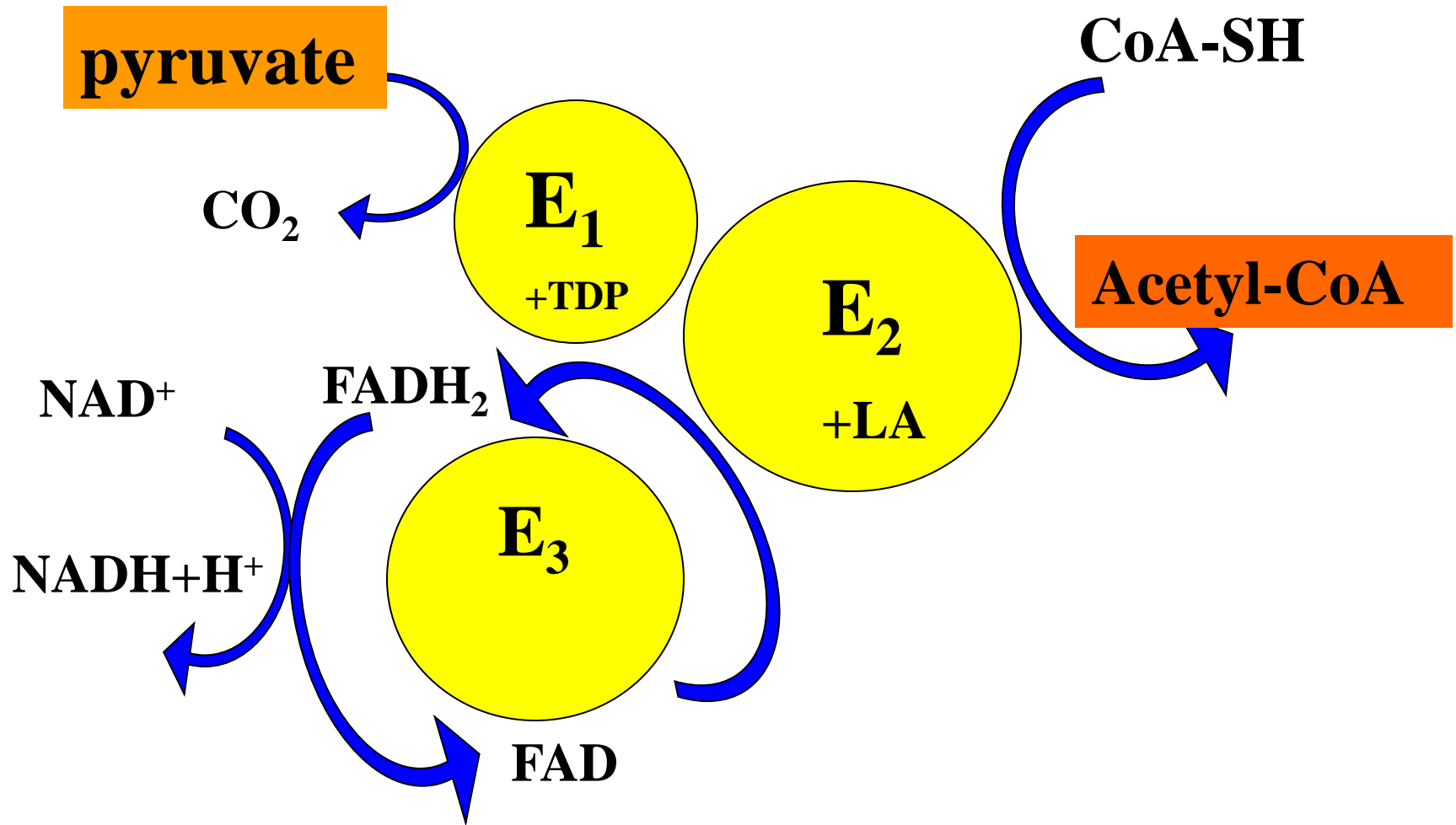
PYRUVATE DEHYDROGENASE COMPLEX

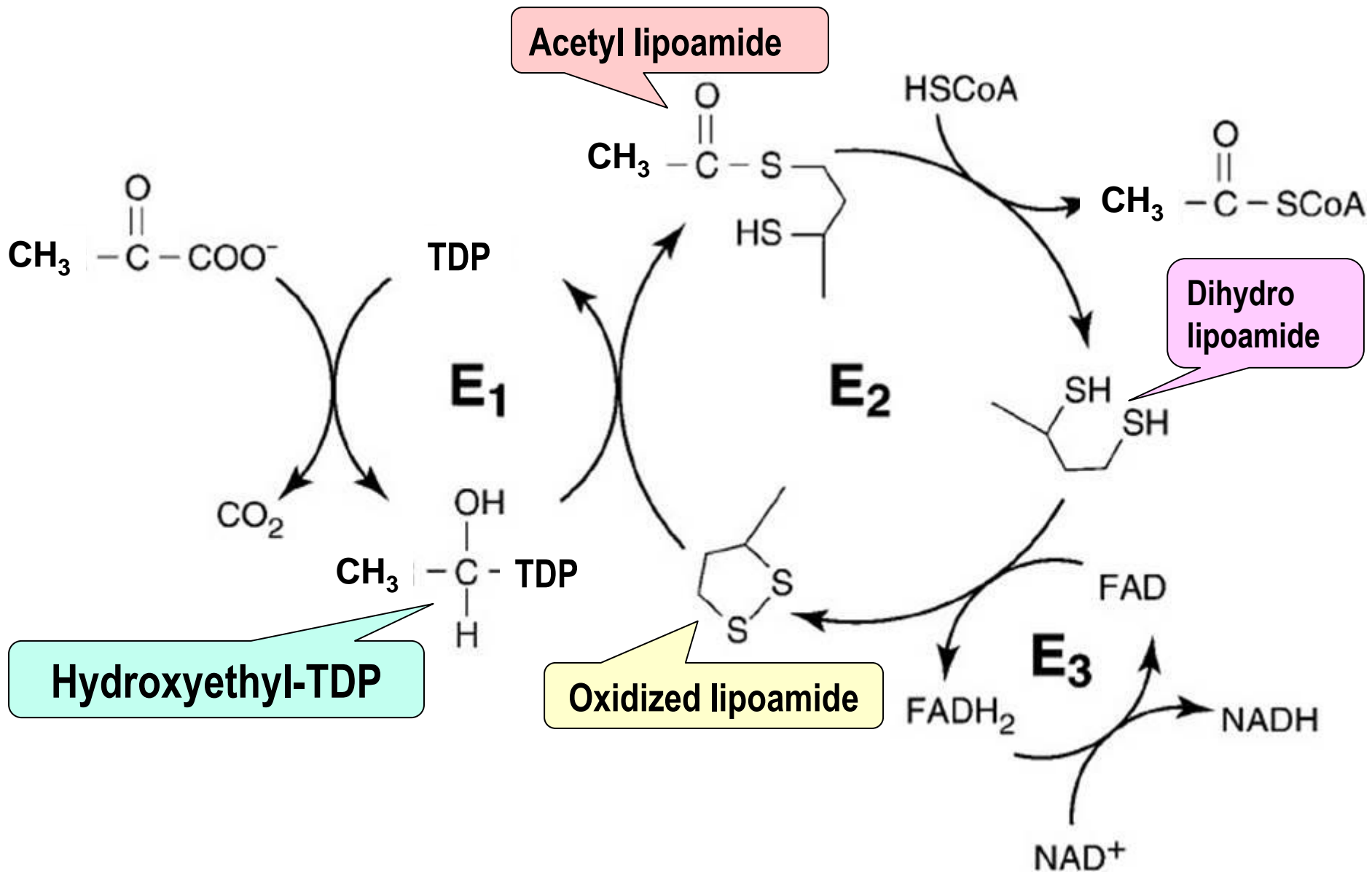


The reaction intermediates thus need to travel only a short distance from one active site to the next, which increases the overall catalytic efficiency.

This is the key advantage of multi-enzyme complexes over a series of individual enzymes.

OXIDATIVE DECARBOXYLATION of PYRUVATE by PYRUVATE DEHYDROGENASE COMPLEX





Acetyl lipoamide

Dihydro lipoamide

Hydroxyethyl-TDP

Oxidized lipoamide

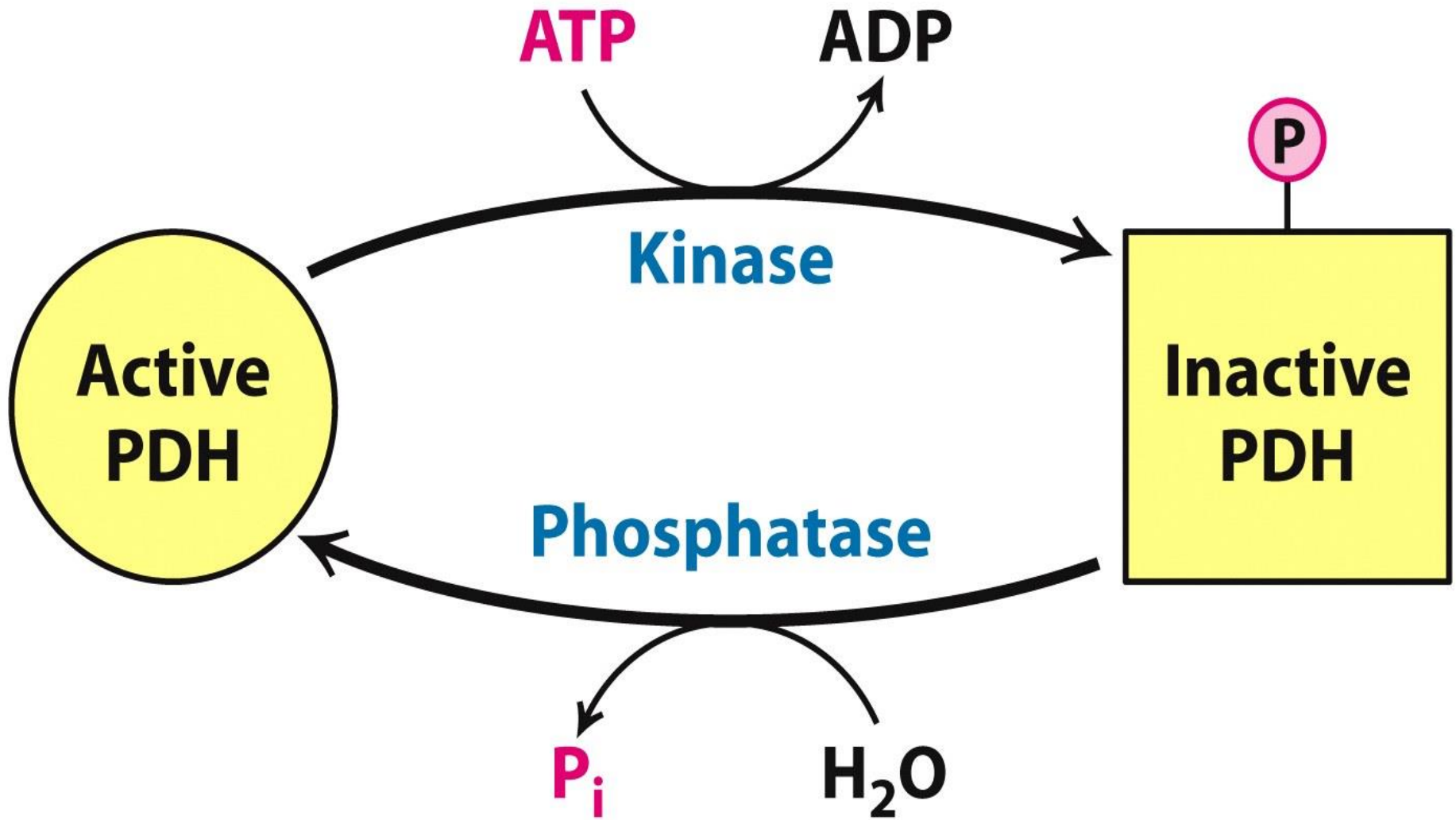
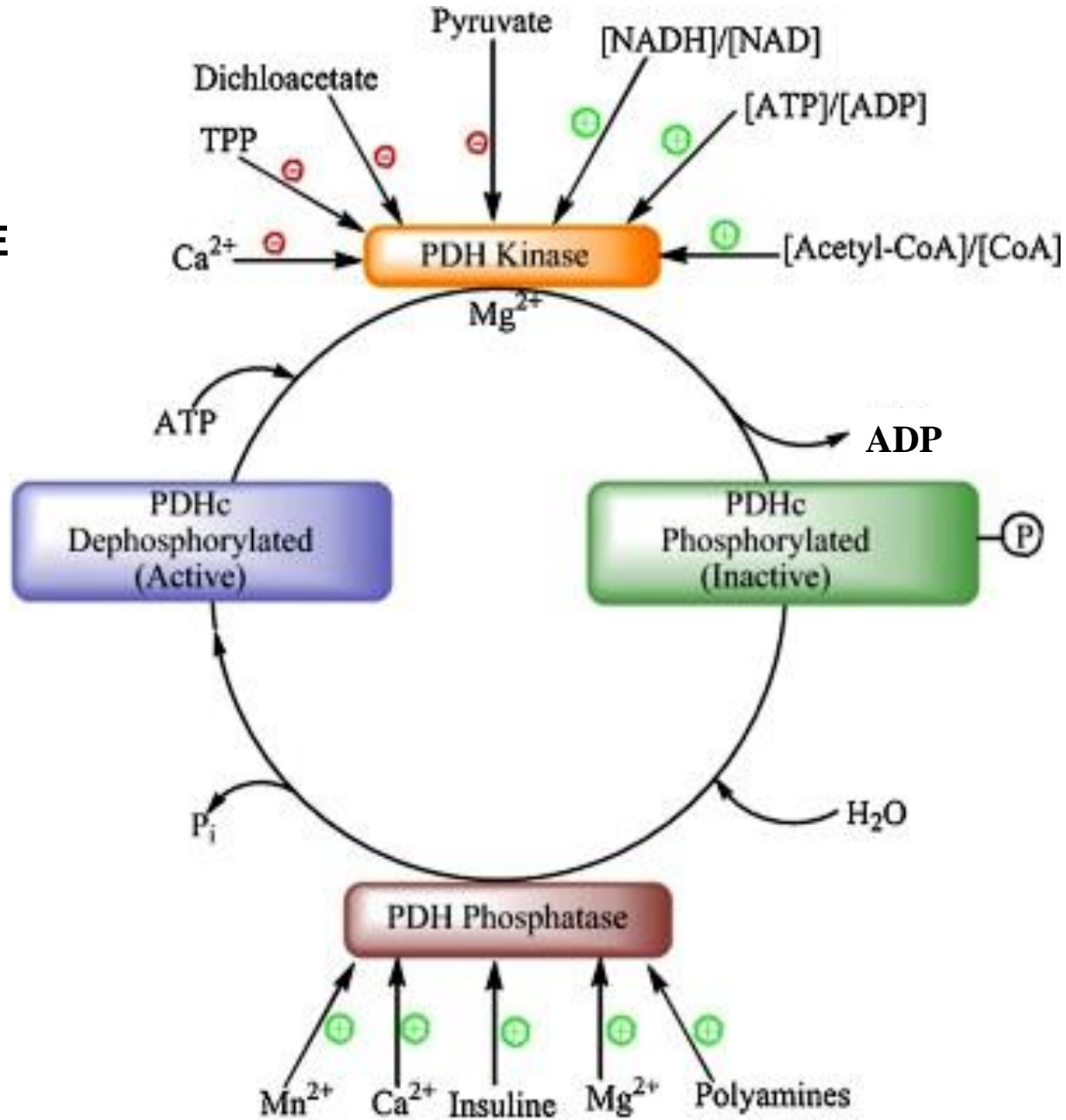
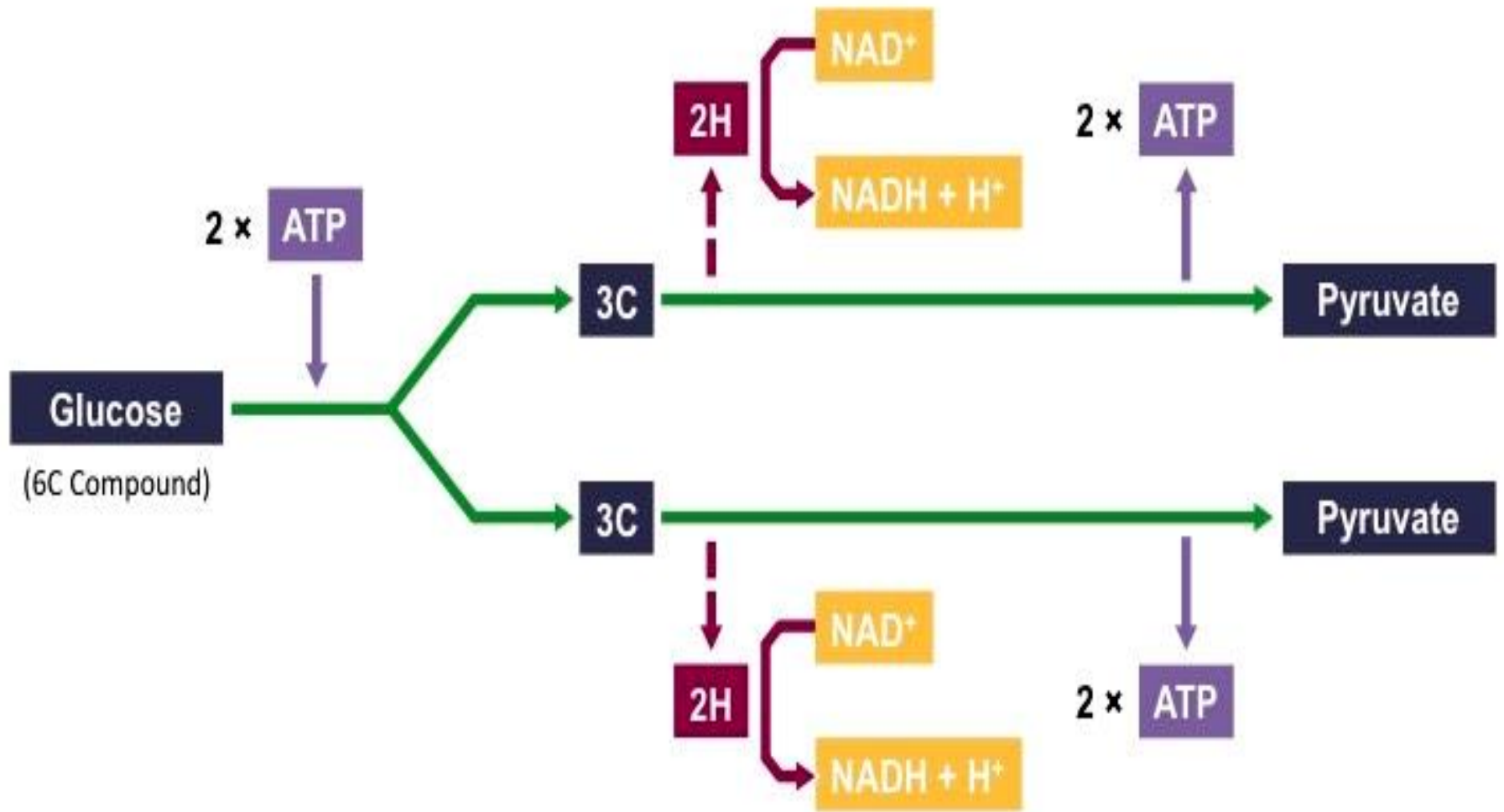


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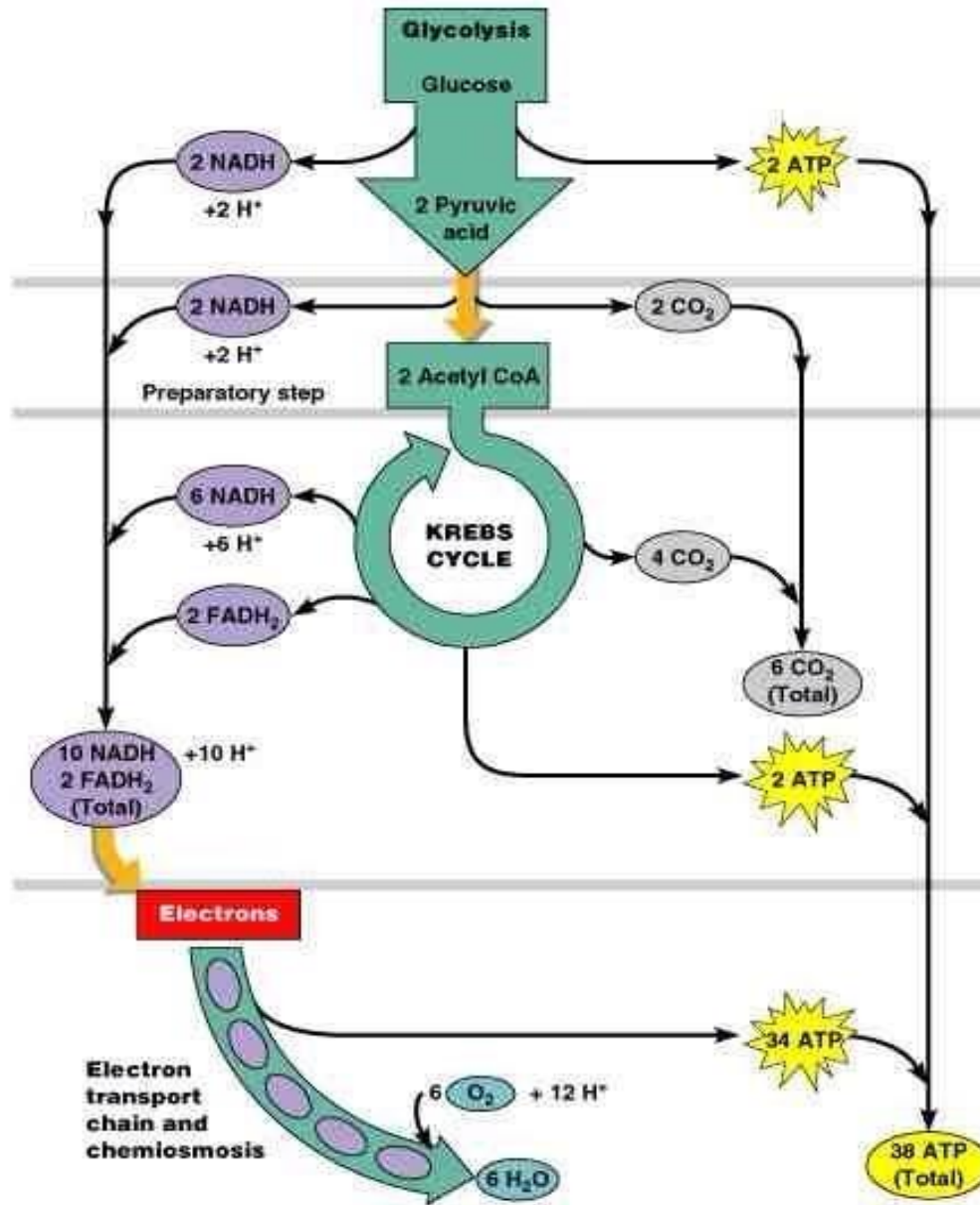
REGULATION OF PYRUVATE DEHYDROGENASE COMPLEX





Net Gain: 2 x ATP ; 2 x NADH + H⁺ (+ 2 x pyruvate)

ATP Formation in the Catabolism of Glucose



ATP Formation in the Catabolism of Glucose

Glyceraldehyde 3-Phosphate DH	2 NADH	6 (5)
Phosphoglycerate kinase	<i>substrate level phosphorylation</i>	2
Pyruvate kinase	<i>substrate level phosphorylation</i>	2
Consumption of ATP		- 2
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Pyruvate DH	2 NADH	6 (5)
Isocitrate DH	2 NADH	6 (5)
α-Ketoglutarate DH	2 NADH	6 (5)
Succinate thiokinase	<i>substrate level phosphorylation</i>	2
Succinate DH	2 FADH₂	4 (3)
Malate DH	2 NADH	6 (5)
TOTAL (aerob.)		38 (32)
TOTAL (anaerob.)		2

Gluconeogenesis

The process of synthesizing glucose from noncarbohydrate precursors

The major substrates: glucogenic amino acids, lactate, glycerol, propionate

Tissues: liver, kidney, small intestine

Importance of gluconeogenesis

- Gluconeogenesis meets the needs of the body for glucose when insufficient carbohydrate is available from the diet or glycogen reserves.**
- Gluconeogenesis clears lactate produced by muscle and erythrocytes and glycerol produced by adipose tissue.**

Obligate glucose users

Red blood cells

Medulla cells of the kidney

Activated T-cells of the immune system

Sertoli cells of the testis

Not obligate users (preferring glucose)

Retinal cells

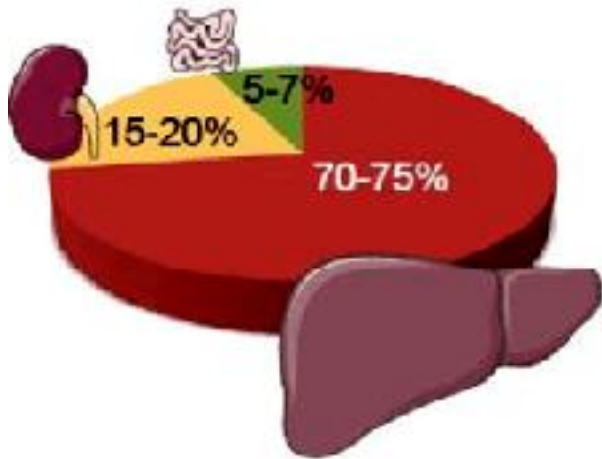
Neurons

Fibroblasts

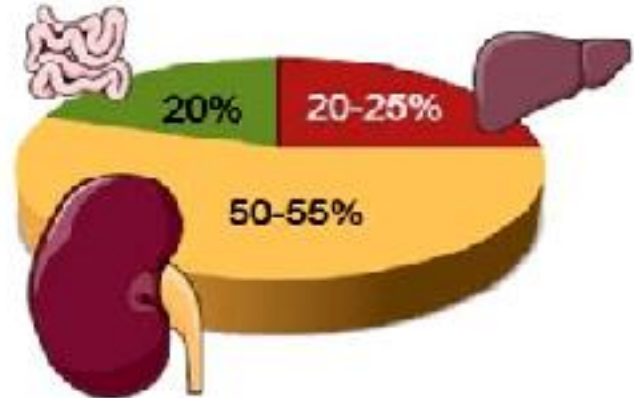
Smooth muscle cells of vascular system

The liver, kidney and intestines all contribute more or less to GNG. This depends on whether or not you're eating and what you're eating.

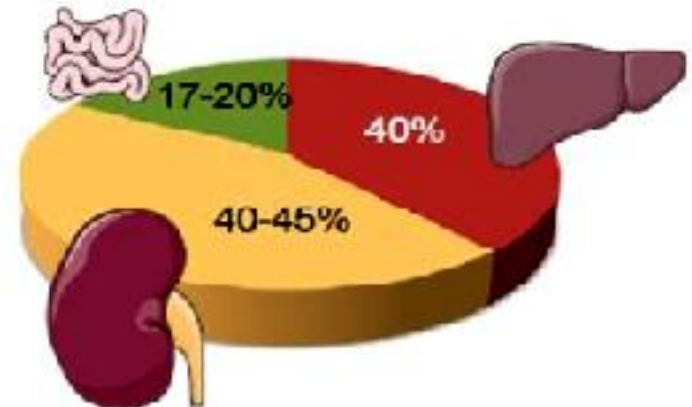
Post-absorptive state
Standard (starch) diet



Fasting (24-48h)



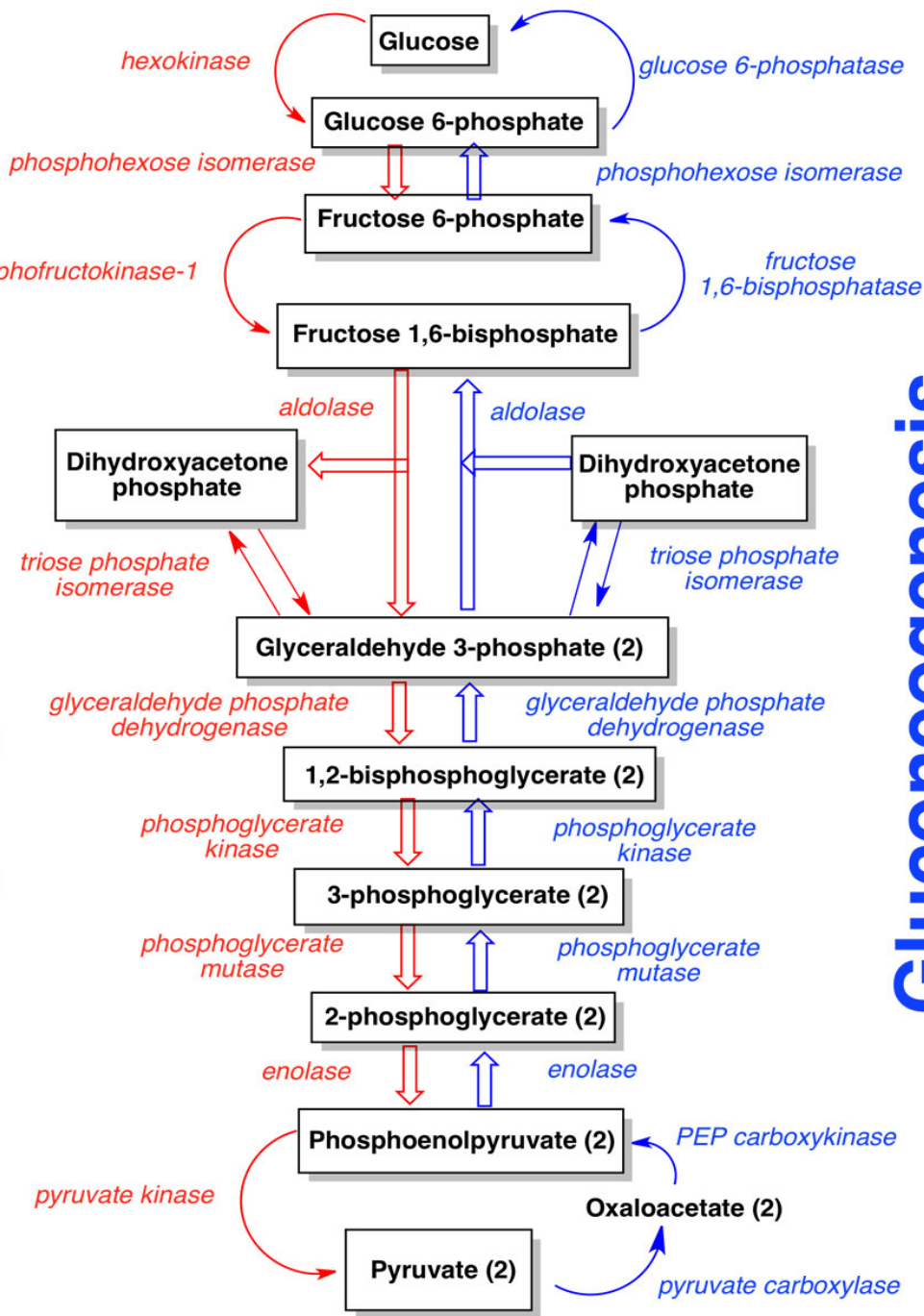
Post-absorptive state
Protein-enriched diet



Many of the reaction steps involved in gluconeogenesis are catalyzed by the same enzymes that are used in glycolysis.

The non-reversible steps are bypassed with participation of specific to gluconeogenesis enzymes

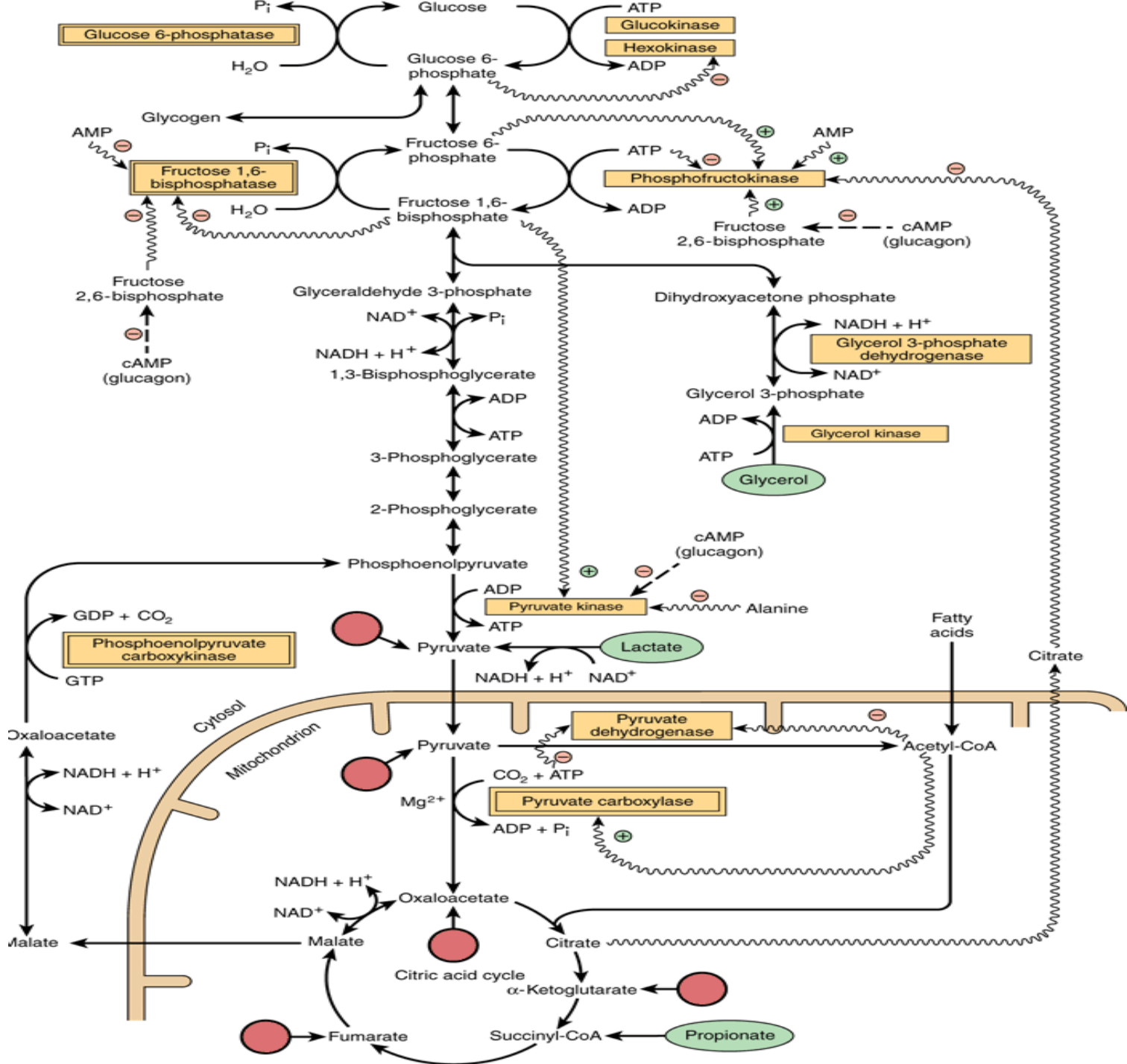
Glycolysis



Gluconeogenesis

Scheme of Glyconeogenesis

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Key Reactions of Glyconeogenesis

Pyruvate → Oxaloacetate

a biotin-dependent reaction catalyzed by

pyruvate carboxylase

take place in the mitochondria

Oxaloacetate → Phosphoenolpyruvate

GTP-dependent *PEP carboxykinase*

take place in the cytoplasm

Key Reactions of Glyconeogenesis

Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate →

Fructose 6-phosphate

fructose 1,6-bisphosphatase

**is an important regulation point in
gluconeogenesis**

I:Fructose 2,6-bisphosphate

Glucose 6-phosphate → Glucose

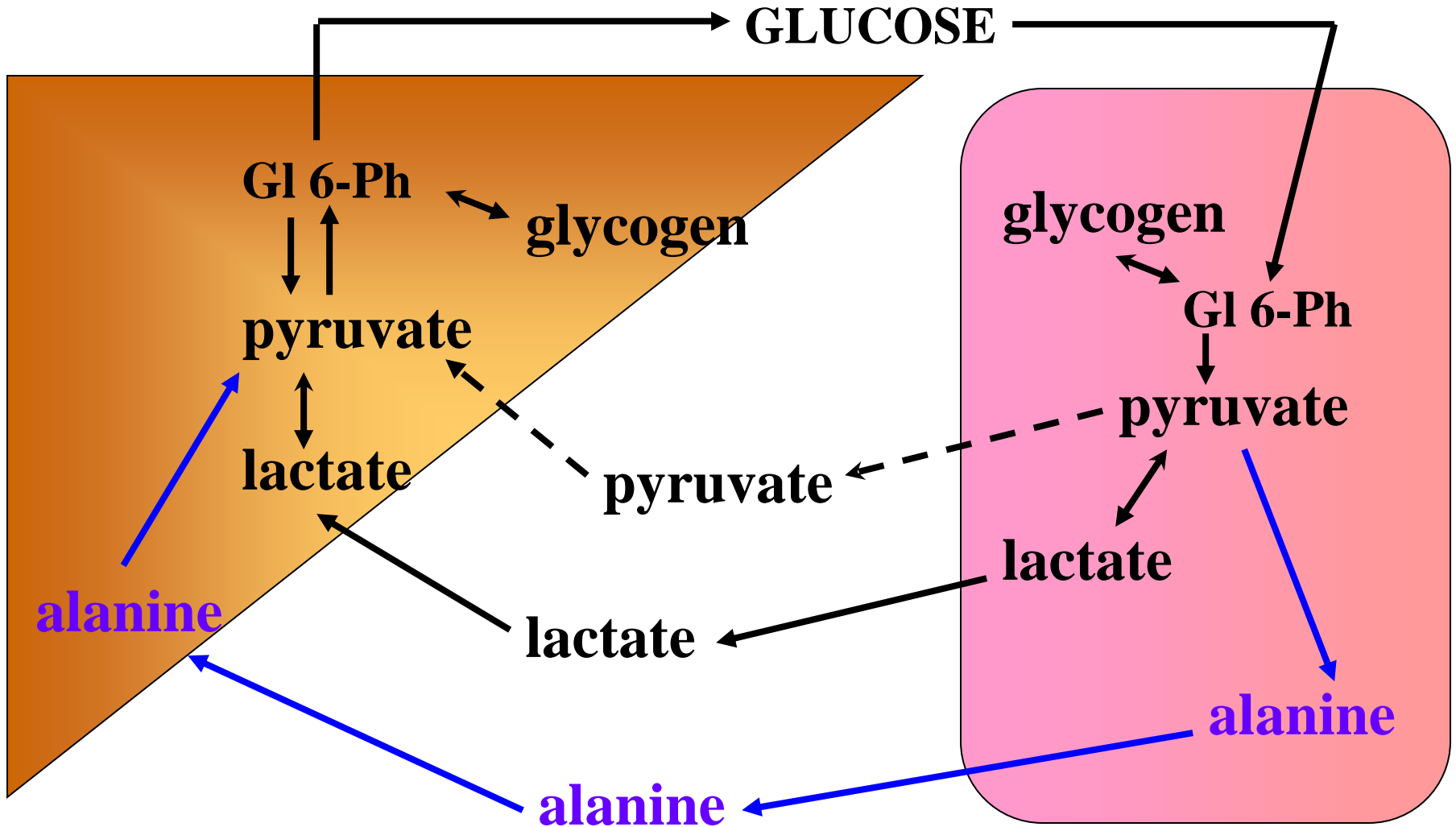
glucose 6-phosphatase

Cori cycle

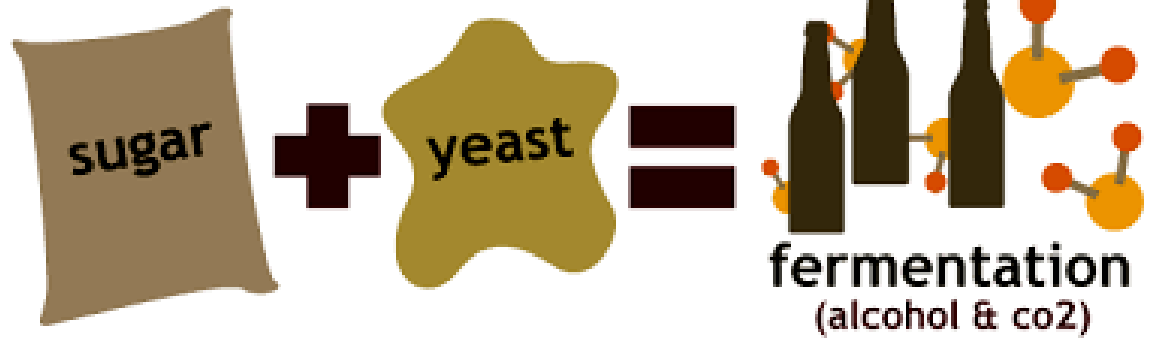
Lactate can be further metabolised only by its reconversion to pyruvate. Lactate and pyruvate can readily diffuse out from the cells in which they are produced and pass into the circulation. From circulation, they are removed by the **liver** and in liver cells they are reconverted to form glucose and glycogen by **gluconeogenesis**.

This cycle is referred to as Cori cycle.

Cori cycle

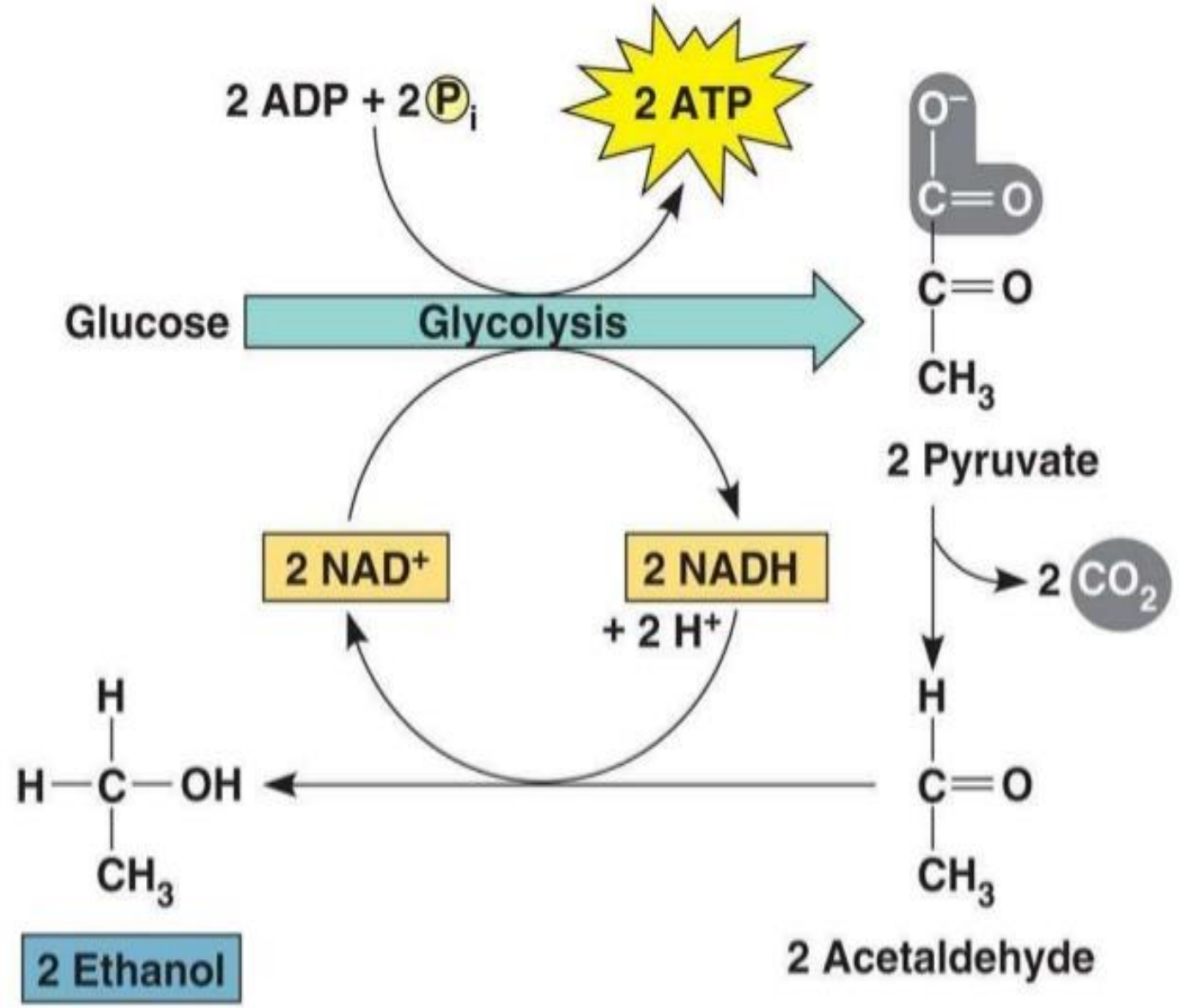


Alcohol fermentation



- Yeast and a few other microorganisms use alcohol fermentation that produces ethyl alcohol and carbon dioxide.
- This process is used to produce alcoholic beverages and causes bread dough to rise

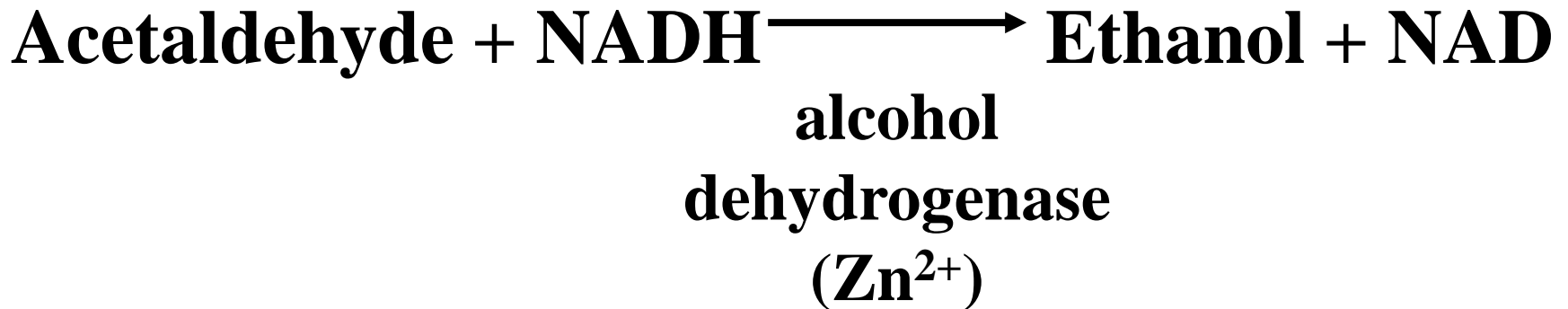
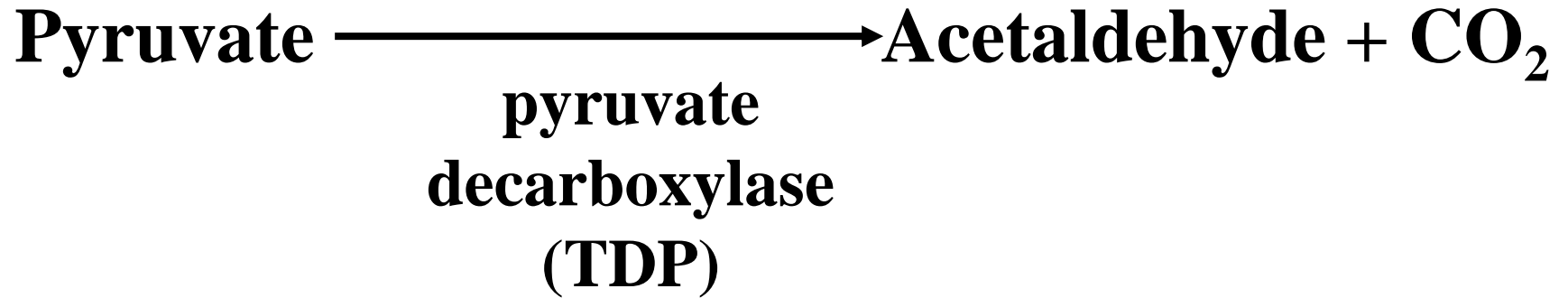
Alcohol fermentation



(a) Alcohol fermentation

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Alcohol fermentation



Pentose Phosphate Pathway

- formation of NADPH for synthesis of fatty acids and steroids
- the synthesis of ribose for nucleotide biosynthesis

PHASE 1
(oxidative)

Glucose 6-phosphate

2 NADP⁺

2 NADPH

Ribulose 5-phosphate

Ribose
5-phosphate (C₅)

Xylulose
5-phosphate (C₅)

GAP (C₃)

Sedoheptulose
7-phosphate (C₇)

Fructose
6-phosphate (C₆)

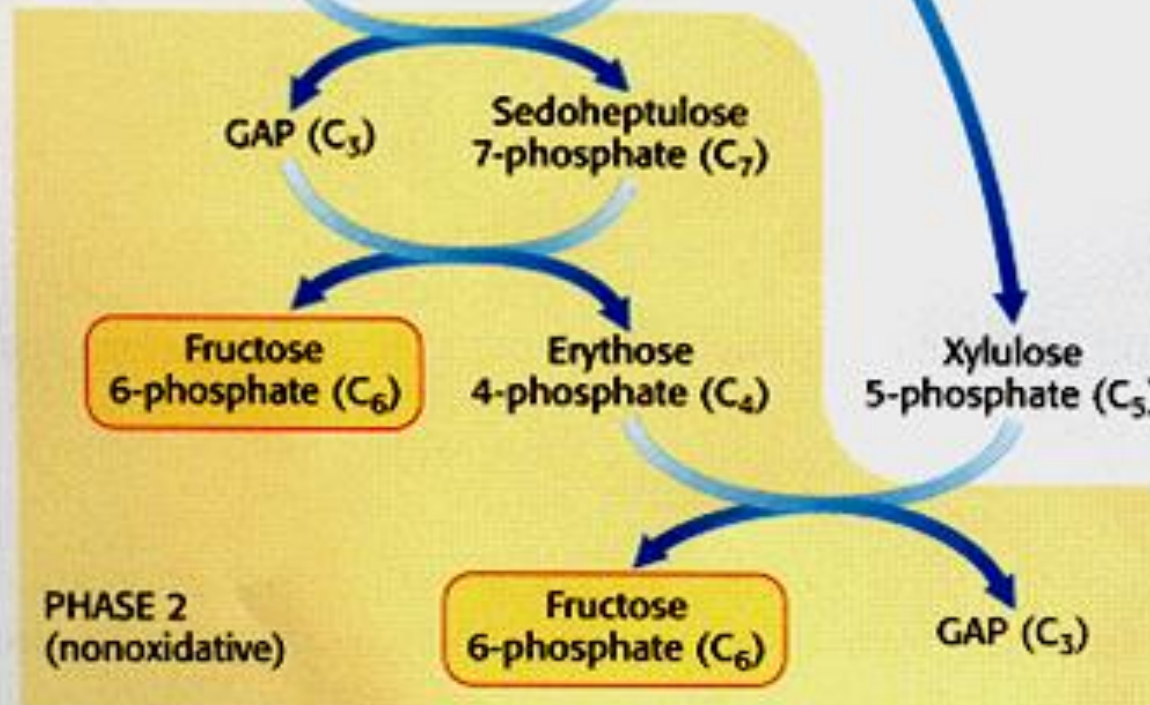
Erythrose
4-phosphate (C₄)

Xylulose
5-phosphate (C₅)

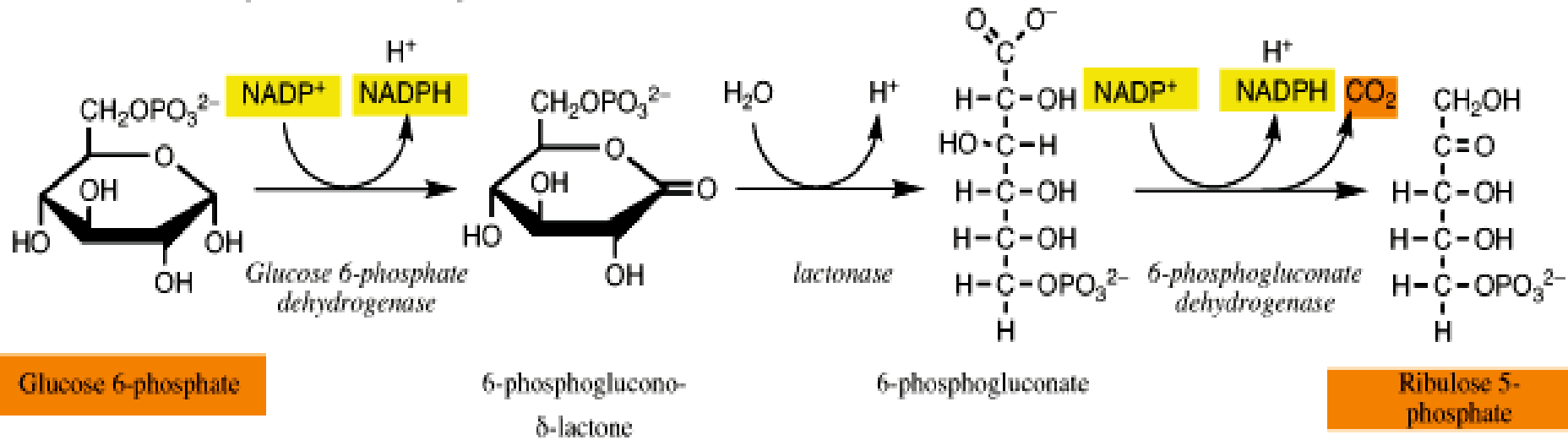
PHASE 2
(nonoxidative)

Fructose
6-phosphate (C₆)

GAP (C₃)

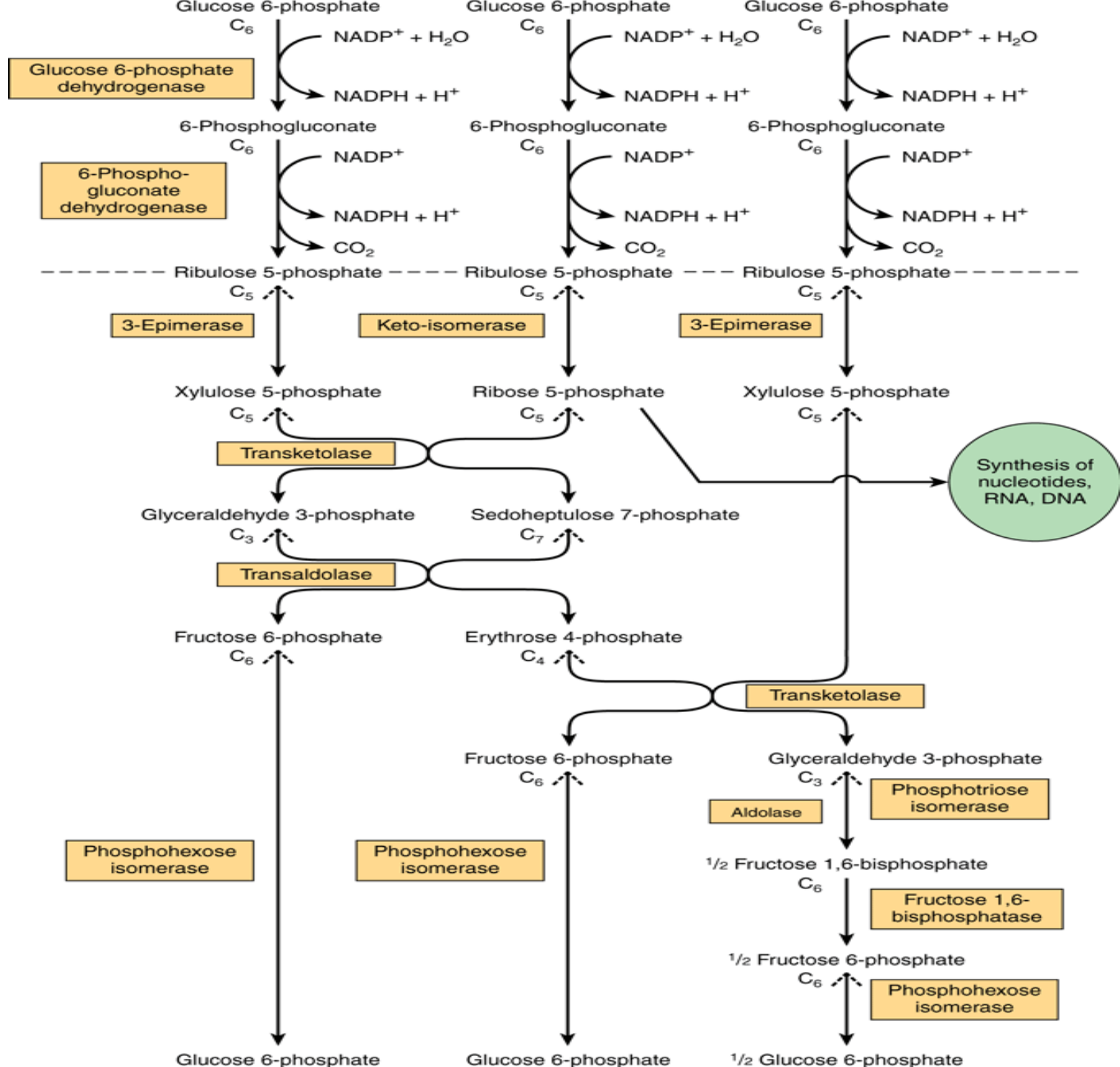


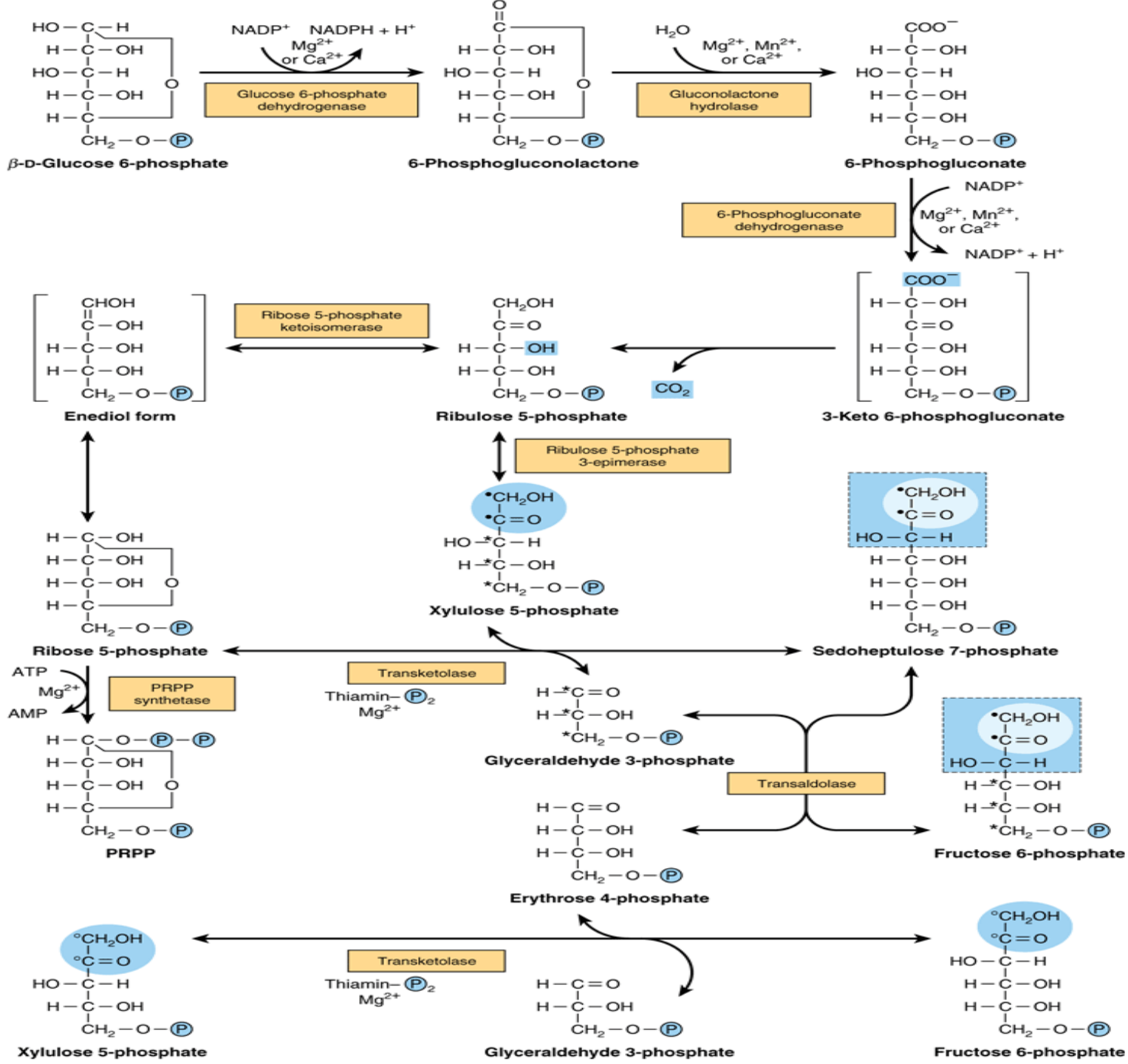
1. Pentose Phosphate Pathway: Oxidative Phase



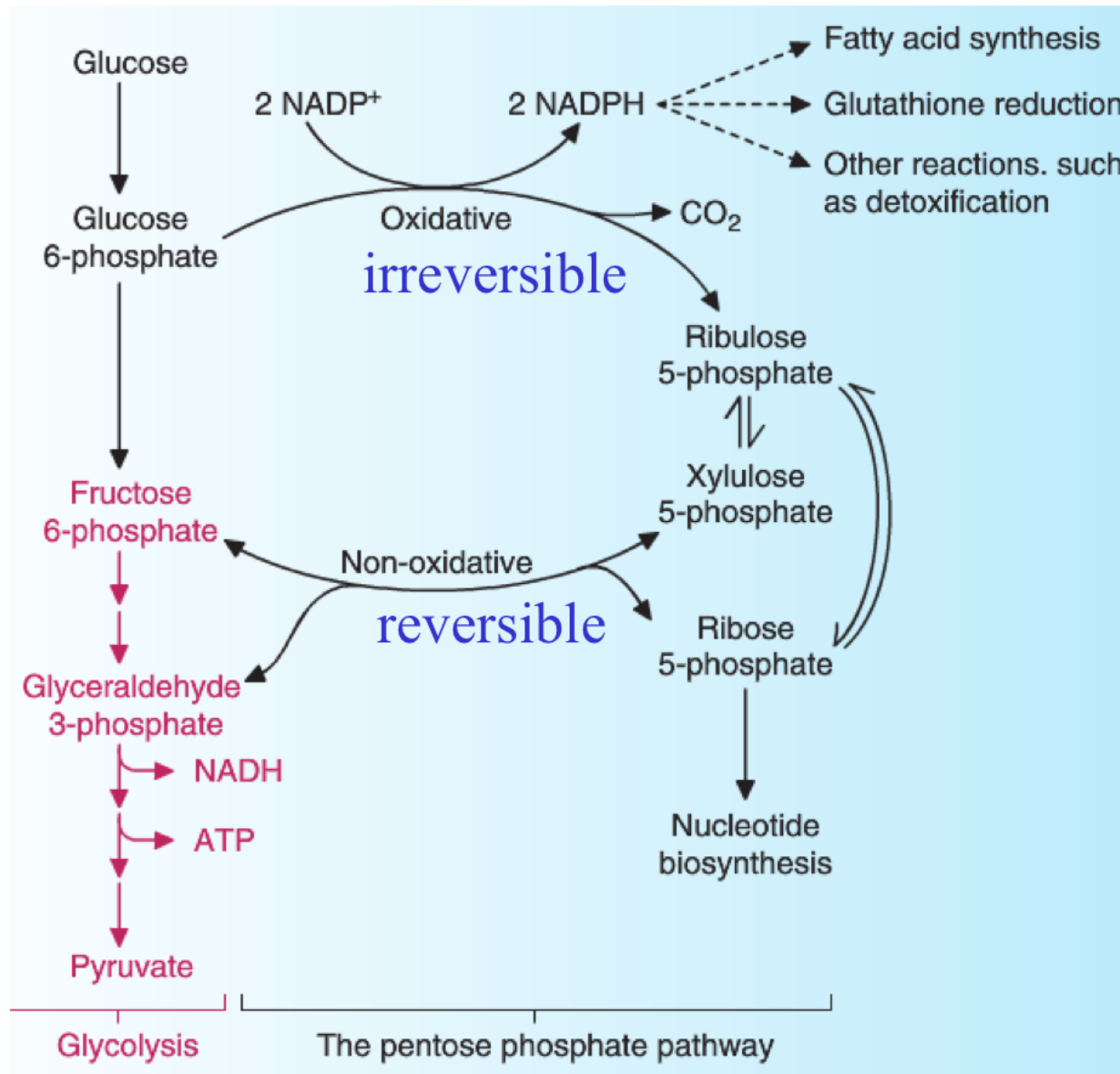
Reactions of Pentose Phosphate Pathway

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Pentose phosphate pathway and its link to glycolysis



- NADPH
- Ribose 5-P
- Glucose 6-P dehydrogenase deficiency

REGULATION OF PENTOSE PHOSPHATE PATHWAY

- **The entry of glucose 6-phosphate into the pentose phosphate pathway is controlled by the cellular concentration of NADPH**
- **NADPH is a strong inhibitor of glucose 6-phosphate dehydrogenase**
- **As NADPH is used in various pathways, inhibition is relieved, and the enzyme is accelerated to produce more NADPH**

- G6PD deficiency is an allelic abnormality which is inherited in an X-linked recessive fashion.
- G6PD deficiency is also known as "favism" since G6PD deficient individuals are also sometimes allergic to **fava beans**.
- Glucose-6-Phosphate Dehydrogenase (G6PD) deficiency is the most common human enzyme deficiency in the world; it affects an estimated 400 million people.

Manifestation after:

- foods (beans)
- drugs
- infection

Effect

- oxidative stress → haemolysis

WHAT IS FAVISM ?

- Favism is formally defined as hemolytic response to the consumption of broad beans
- Favism is disorder characterized by hemolytic reaction to the consumption of broad beans
- All individual with favism show G6PD deficiency
- However not all individuals with G6PD deficiency Show favism

