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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

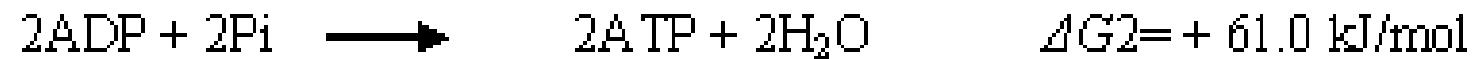
- In **preparatory phase** of glycolysis => two molecules of **ATP** are **invested** and hexose is **cleaved** => two triose phosphates (glyceraldehyde 3 phosphate and Dihydroxy acetone phosphate).
- The **payoff phase** of glycolysis includes energy-conserving phosphorylation steps => some of the **free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



- formation of ATP from ADP and Pi => is endergonic:



$$\Delta G_s = G_1 + G_2 \quad (-146 \text{ kJ/mol} + 61.0 \text{ kJ/mol} = -85 \text{ kJ/mol})$$

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

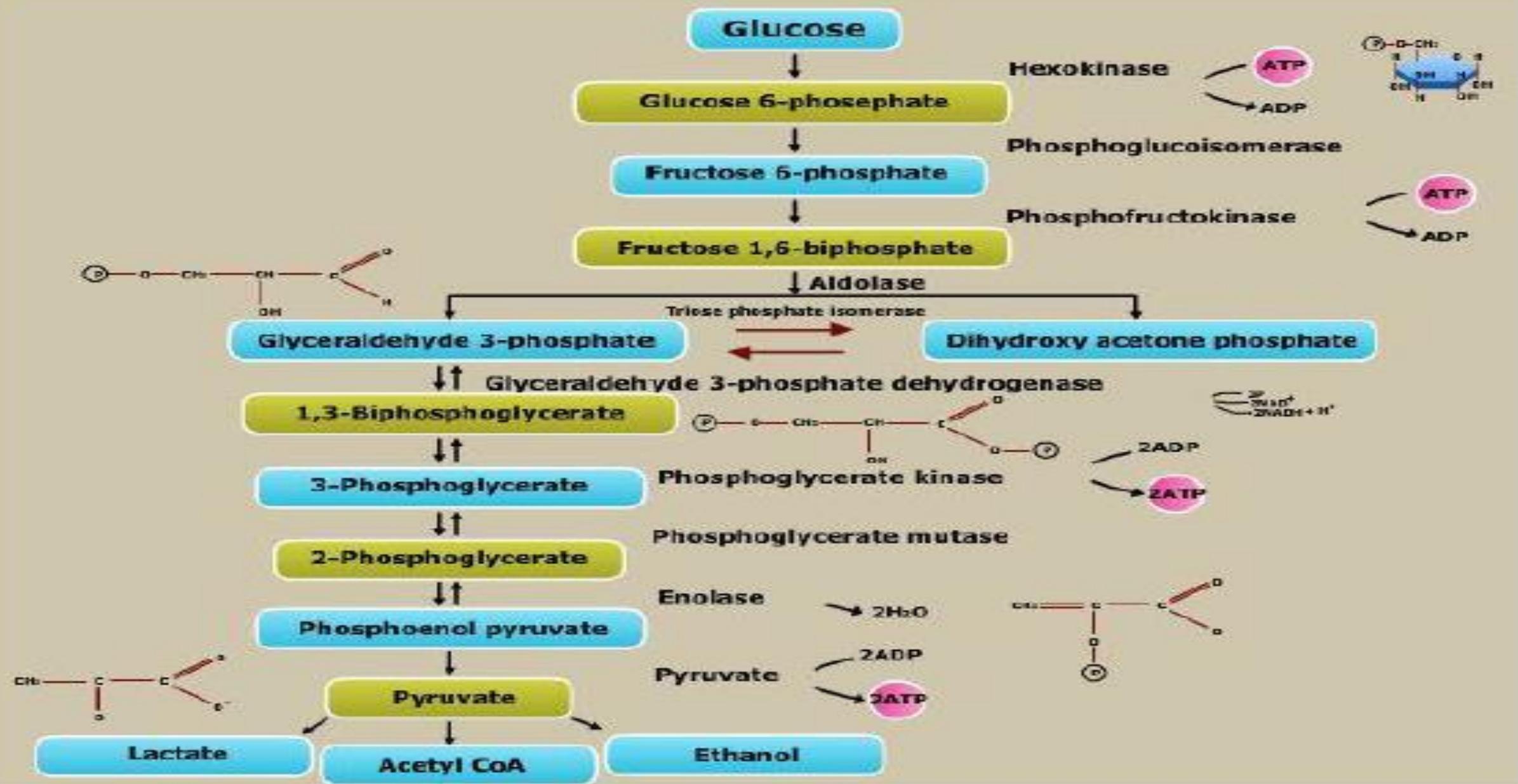
- Hexokinase => present in **all cells** of all organisms.
- Hepatocytes also contain a form of hexokinase called **hexokinase IV** or **glucokinase**, which differs from other forms of hexokinase in **kinetic and regulatory properties**.
- Two enzymes that catalyze the same reaction but are encoded 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 => transfer of phosphoryl group from phosphoenolpyruvate => to ADP, catalyzed by pyruvate kinase, which requires K⁺ and either Mg 2+ or Mn 2+ .



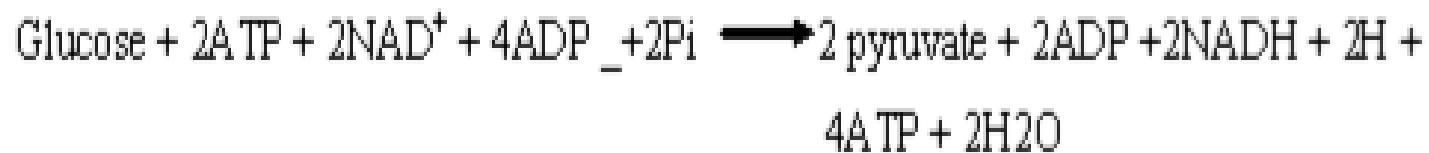
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Pasteur Effect

- Louis Pasteur discovered => both the **rate** and the **total amount of glucose consumption** were => 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 CO_2 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).

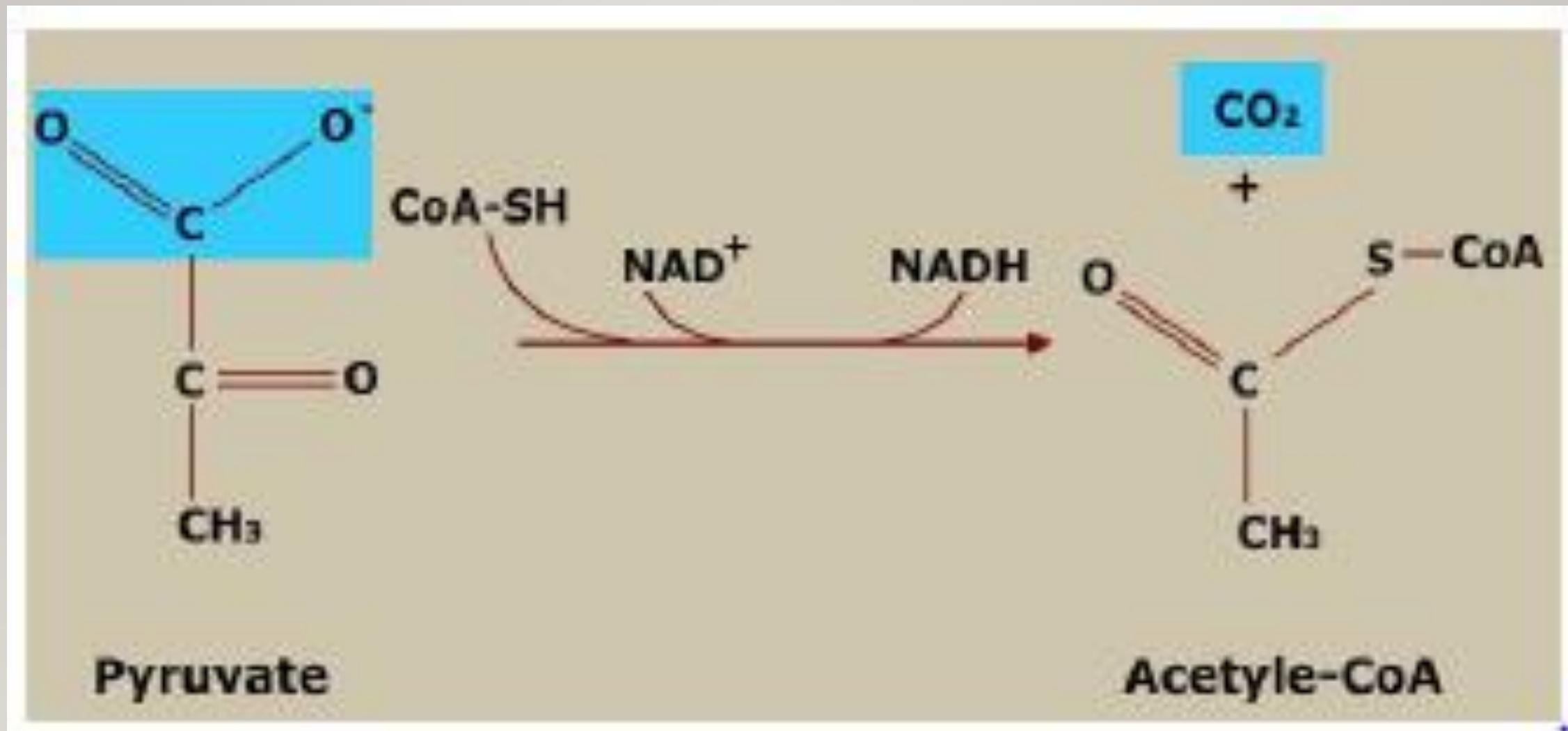
Fate of Pyruvate

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)

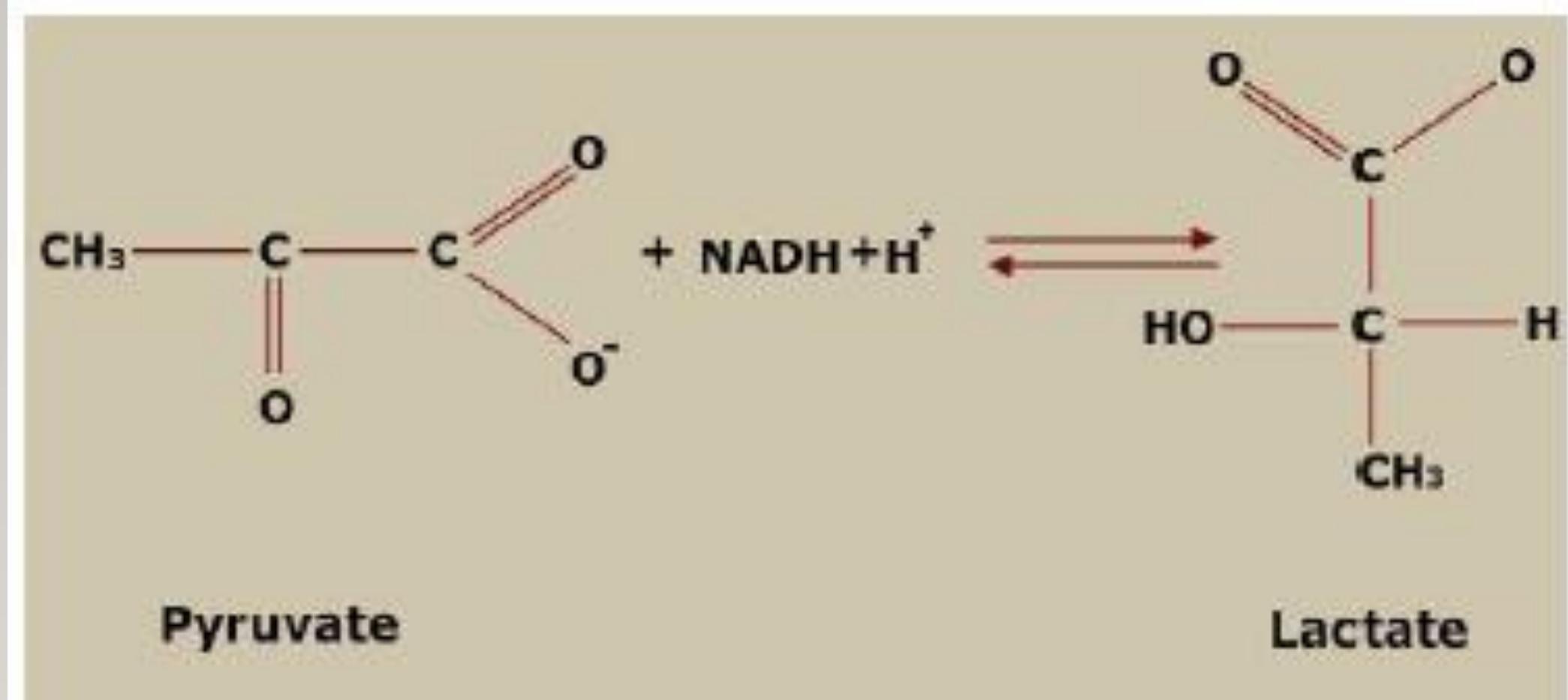
=> rate of citric acid cycle decreases, and

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.



Pyruvate

Lactate

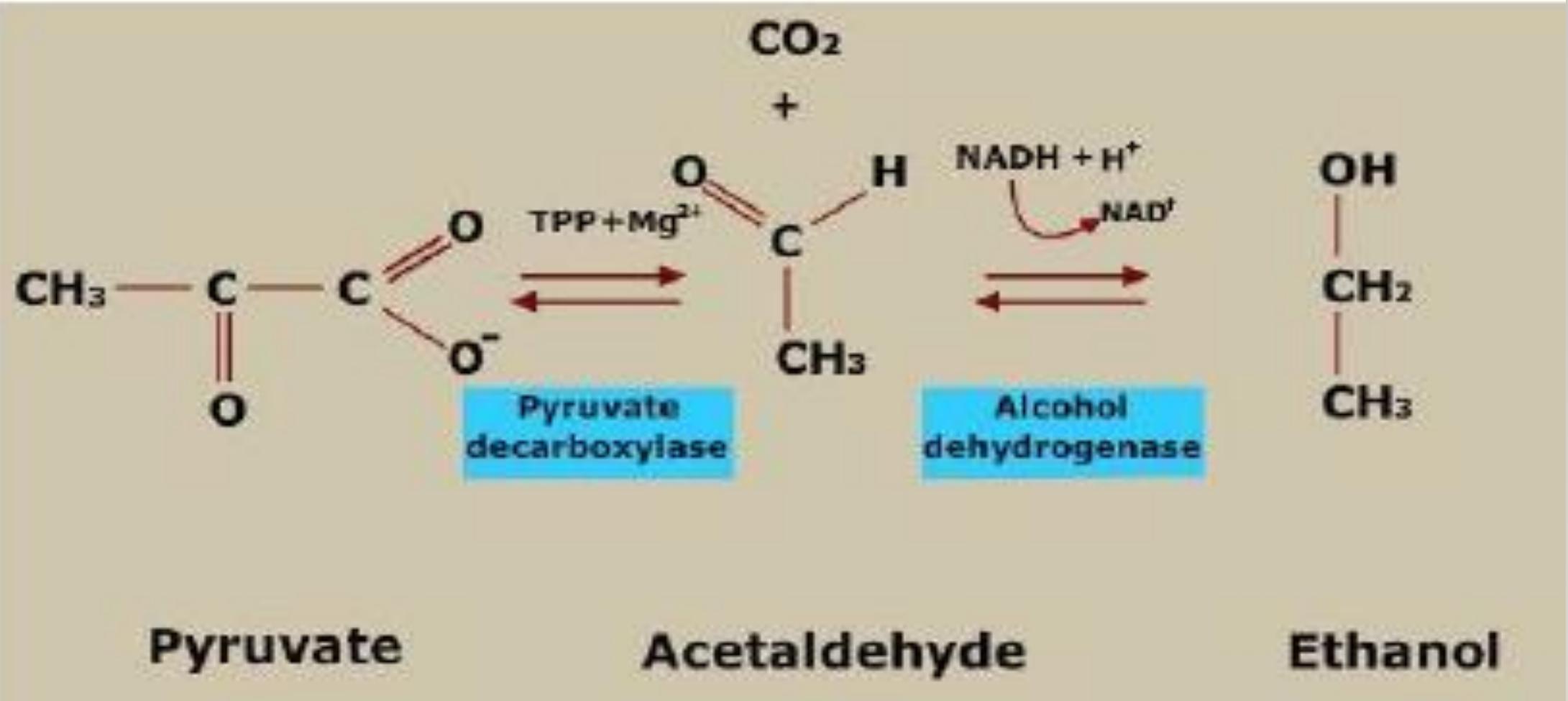
Conversion of Pyruvate to lactate

Alcoholic fermentation

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

So, pyruvate is converted => **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.

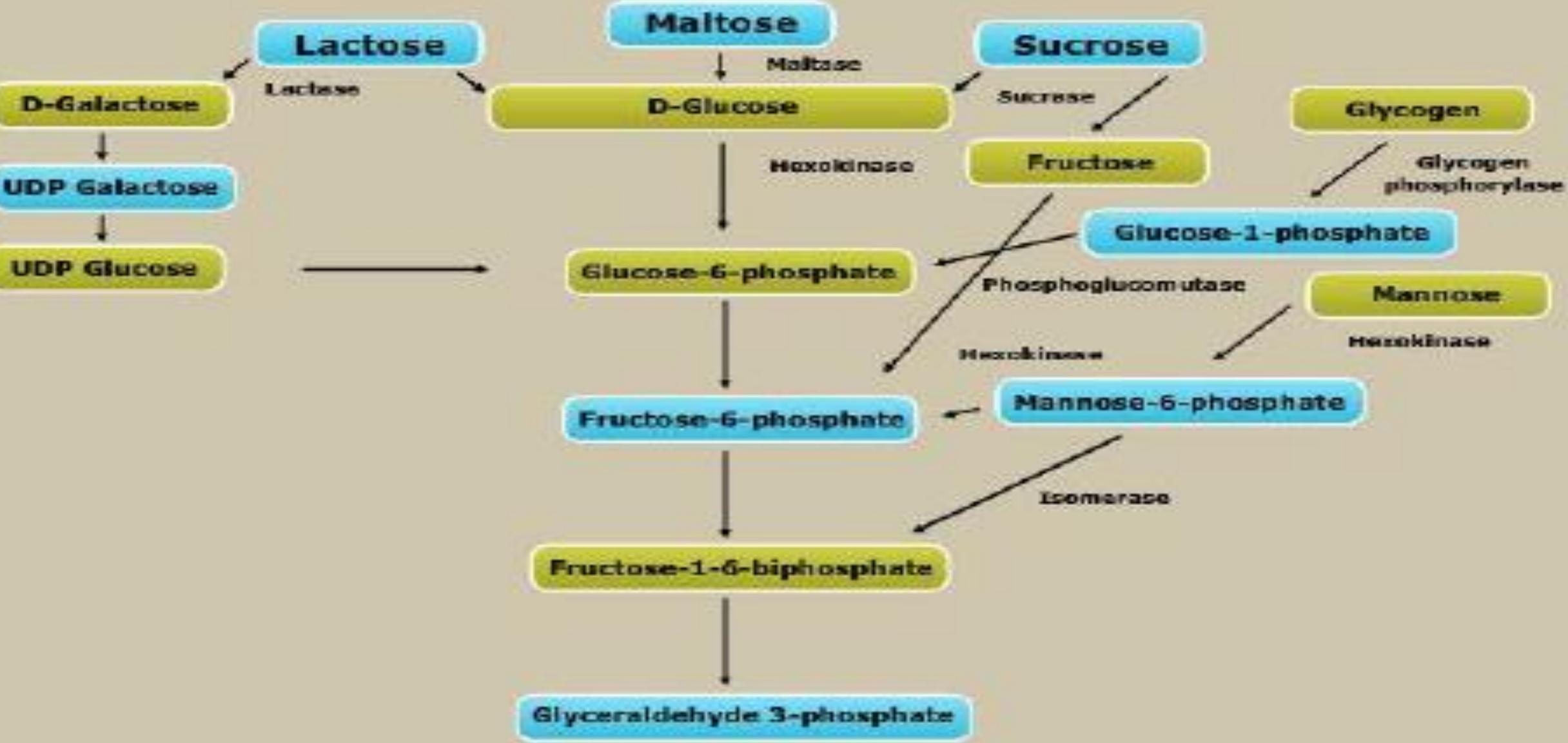
- **Glycogen** in animal tissues can be mobilized => use within same cell by a phosphorolytic reaction catalyzed by **glycogen phosphorylase**.
- This enzyme catalyzes an attack by Pi on the (α 1-4) glycosidic linkage that joins the last two glucose residues at a nonreducing end => generating glucose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

PGM

Glucose 1-phosphate



Glucose 6-phosphate



Entry of other Carbohydrates in Glycolysis

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