

Glycolysis

- Glucose is the major energy substrate in certain tissues like brain

- Glycolysis occurs in the cell's cytosol.

- it takes place in all organisms both aerobic and anaerobic mostly!

- The intermediates either: ① Provide entry points to the cycle ② They are useful directly! (e.g. 5)

① Priming / Activation

- Phosphorylation goals: ② (Tricking the cell by changing the glucose form) keep continuous influx! ③ Trapping the sugar inside the cell.

* Step 1: - Mediated by → Hexokinase

- transfer phosphate from ATP to (OH) at carbon # 6.
- target site for cell regulation → Allosteric enzymes Regulation.
- trap the glucose inside the cell.
- The receptor that maintains the glucose influx inside the cell is → GLUT
- irreversible → but there is specific enzyme found in specific tissues called Glucose-6-phosphatase → dephosphorylation.

Regarding the Enzyme used in Step 1 (Hexokinase)

Hexokinase → different versions / isoforms exist in the Heart, brain and liver. same gene but different expression!

Hexokinase I, II, III: - non specific - can phosphorylate variety of hexose like: ① glucose ② Mannose - etc

- type I → involved in the Catabolic pathways
- type II + III → involved in anabolic pathways
- all the time phosphorylation - allosterically inhibited

Hexokinase IV: - expressed in the liver and β-cells of pancreas. - specific for D-glucose - Specific phosphorylation only when the blood glucose is high.

- mediated by → phosphoglucose isomerase
- mannose + Fructose → enters glycolytic pathway at this point!
- Reversible.

Bi → 2 but not close
Di → 2 close (beside each other)

- Goal? Destabilize the ring!
- mediated by → Phosphofructo Kinase (PFK-1)
- rate limiting step (key regulatory step) → slowest step that determines the speed of the reaction.
- Phosphorylation of (OH) at carbon # 1

- mediated by → Aldose
- cleavage into 2 triose phosphates at the bond between C3-C4.

Can't go further! → isomerization to GAP! (Step 5) by Triose phosphate isomerase.
Precursor for glycerol → used for the formation of triglycerol!!!

- Super High energy molecule (Storing)
- oxidative phosphorylation.
- by → Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase.
- Goal → making high energy molecule.
- electron donors / Reductants (↓ electrons)

Regarding Step 6: Nicotinoamide Adenine Dinucleotide (NAD)

- NAD → derivative? Vit B3 (Niacin)
- exist in 2 forms: NAD⁺ (oxidized form) - Coenzyme for dehydrogenases
NADH (Reduced form)
- Energy rich molecule!
indirect form of energy!

1 NADH = 2.5 ATP

only in aerobic conditions!

- First ATP forming reaction (Direct Energy) (Substrate level formation)
- by → Phosphoglycerate Kinase

- Only terminal shifting → C3 to C2
- isomerization by: Phosphoglycerate mutase
- Activation of phosphate group

- 2nd super high energy molecule
- by → Enolase
- increase in the energy stored in phosphate.
- OH from Carbon # 3 is gone
- H from Carbon # 2 is gone
- Double bond between C3 + C2

- 2nd ATP is generated
- Substrate level formation by pyruvate kinase.

* Net result of Glycolysis

Step 7,10 - 2 ATP - 2 Pyruvate → End result
4 - 2 = 2
steps 1,3 - 2 NADH → step 6

