

First Pyruvate is transported from the cytosol to mitochondrial Matrix via the **pyruvate mitochondrial carrier in the inner mitochondrial membrane** 

## Then, Conversion of Pyruvate to Acetyl-CoA

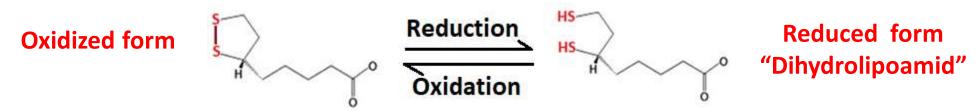
In this step:

- 1. Decarboxylation of Pyruvate forming 2C compound called Hydroxyethyl
- 2. Oxidation of Hydroxyethyl forming Acetate (Acetyl) (NAD<sup>+</sup> reduced to NADH)
- 3. Binding of Acetyl with CoA by *thioester bond* "high energy bond"

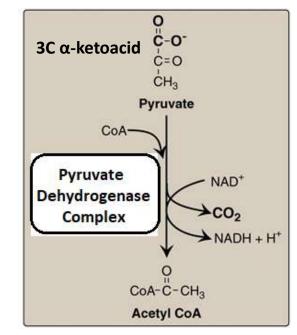
The Enzyme that catalyze this step called Pyruvate Dehydrogenase Complex (PDH)

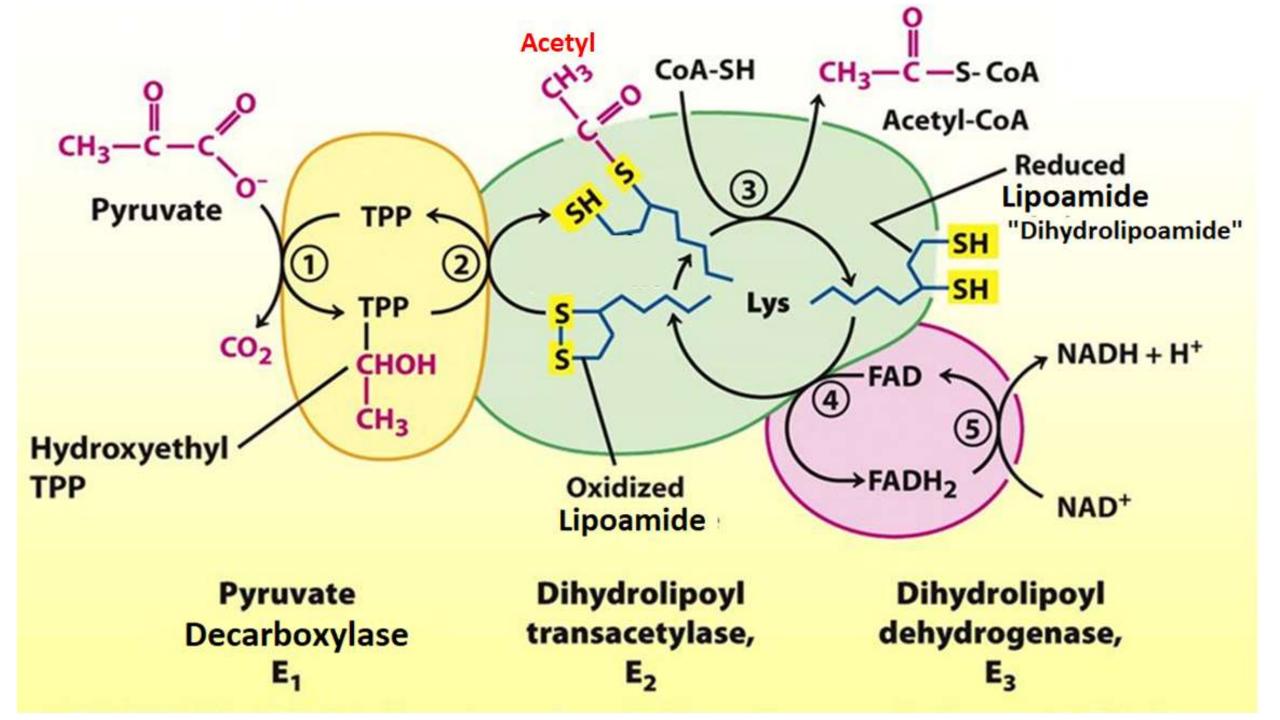
## This Complex consist of 3 Enzymes

- **1.** E1 "Pyruvate Decarboxylase" → require Thiamine Pyrophosphate "TPP" (Vitamin B1) as Prosthetic group
- 2. E2 "Dihydrolipoyl-Transacetylase" → requires Lipoic acid as prosthetic group and CoASH as Cosubstrate (Lipoic acid is bound covalently by amide bond to Lysine in the active site forming lipoamide or Lipolysine)



**3.** E3 "Dihydrolipoyl-Dehydrogenase" → requires FAD as prosthetic group and NAD<sup>+</sup> as Cosubstrate





#### In Words:

- 1. CO<sub>2</sub> is removed from pyruvate by **E1** which require TPP forming HydroxyEthyl-TPP
- 2. HydroxyEthyl (aldehyde) is oxidized to acetyl (carboxyl) and liopic acid is reduced and bind to the Acetyl by thioester bond
- 3. CoASH bind to the acetyl forming acetyl-CoA

By the end of step 3 lipoic acid is reduced and it must be regenerated to it's oxidized form in order for this complex to work again

(step 2 and 3 by E2 which need Lipoic acid and CoASH)

- 4. Oxidation of lipoic acid and reduction of FAD to FADH<sub>2</sub>
- 5.  $FADH_2$  is reoxidized to FAD when the electrons are transferred to NAD<sup>+</sup> forming NADH (Step 4 and 5 by **E3** which require FAD and NAD<sup>+</sup>)

## This complex use TPP (B1), Lipoic acid, CoASH (B5), FAD (B2) NAD<sup>+</sup> (B3)

The coenzymes contained within the complex "prosthetic groups" TPP, Lipoic acid, FAD

- This step is Irreversible step in human "all decarboxylation reactions are Irreversible"

# **Control of Pyruvate Dehydrogenase Complex**

### **Covalent Control:**

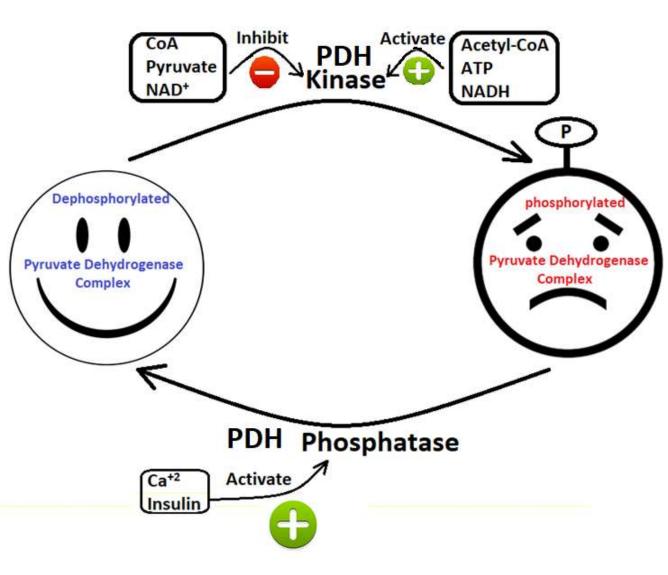
Pyruvate Dehydrogenase has 2 forms:

- Dephosphorylated (Active)
- Phosphorylated (Inactive)
- *Pyruvate Dehydrogenase (PDH) Kinase* inhibit pyruvate dehydrogenase by adding phosphate group
- *Pyruvate Dehydrogenase (PDH) Phosphatase* activate Pyruvate dehydrogenase by removing phosphate

High Acetyl-CoA, ATP, NADH allosterically activate PDH Kinase $\rightarrow$  add phosphate to pyruvate dehydrogenase  $\rightarrow$  inhibition

High CoA, Pyruvate, NAD<sup>+</sup> allosterically Inhibit PDH Kinase  $\rightarrow$  No phosphate added  $\rightarrow$  Activation

Ca<sup>+2</sup> and Insulin activate *PDH Phosphatase* which remove phosphate  $\rightarrow$  activation



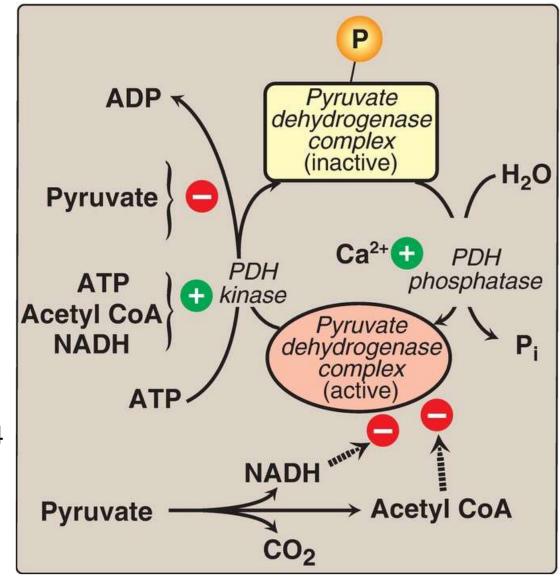
Increase Ca<sup>+2</sup> indicate active cell  $\rightarrow$  need energy  $\rightarrow$  activate PDH complex by activating phosphatase

- High NADH/NAD+, acetyl CoA/CoA, or ATP/ADP ratio promotes phosphorylation, thus inhibition of Pyruvate dehydrogenase complex
- Acetyl-CoA and NADH "Products" also allosterically Inhibit Pyruvate dehydrogenase complex, so they inhibit the enzyme directly and indirectly by activating protein kinase

In your body there are other 2 complexes exactly resemble PDH

*α-ketoglutarate Dehydrogenase complex* catalyze step 4
 in TCA cycle
 *branched chains α-ketoacid Dehydrogenase complex*

both require TPP, Lipoic acid, CoA, FAD and NAD<sup>+</sup>



Any problem in this step will leads to:

- Low energy production affect mainly the central nervous system
- Accumulation of pyruvate  $\rightarrow$  overproduction of Lactate  $\rightarrow$  Lactic acidosis

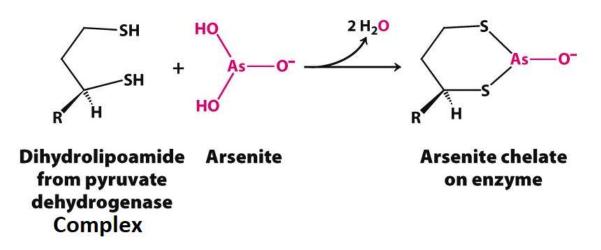
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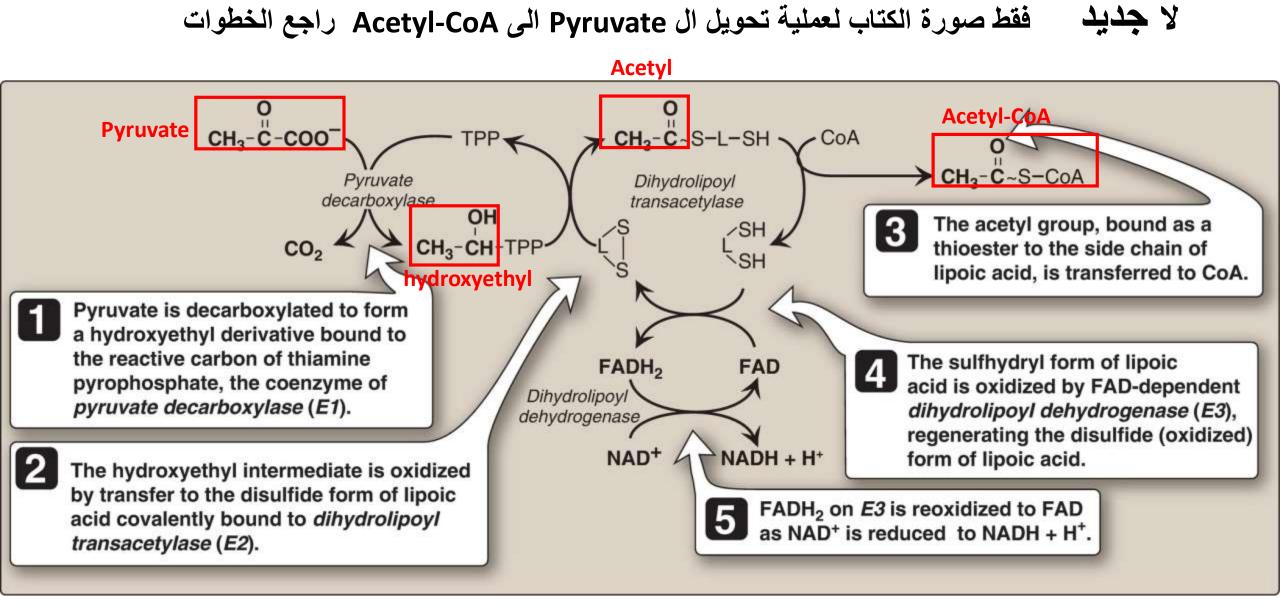
- 1. Deficiency of Thiamine (B1) "Beri-Beri disease and Wernicke-Korsakoff syndrome"
- Genetic deficiency of E1 component of the PDHC, rare but it's the most common genetic deficiency that cause congenital lactic acidosis (X-linked dominant) Central Nervous system is mostly affected
- If E1 deficiency is partial (partial loss of the enzyme activity) the patient may respond to Thiamine supplement

## 3. Trivalent Arsenic "Arsenite" (AsO<sub>3</sub>-)

- toxic and fatal

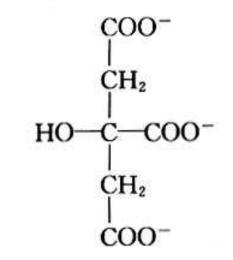
- it binds covalently to Lipoic acid, thus inhibiting E2, this will inhibit conversion of Pyruvate to acetyl-CoA and step 4 of TCA cycle
- Central Nervous system is mostly affected
  Low energy production + Lactic acidosis





## Krebs Cycle , Citric acid Cycle, TCA Cycle (Tri-Carboxylic Acid cycle)

- 8 steps Cyclic Pathway occurs in the *mitochondrial Matrix*
- Scientist : Hans Krebs
- First Compound: Citric Acid (Citrate)
- Citric acid  $\rightarrow$  contain 3 carboxyls (Tri-Carboxylic Acid)



• Krebs cycle is the Third stage of energy production

. 1. Ingestion and Digestion  $\rightarrow$  2. Production of Acetyl CoA  $\rightarrow$  3. Krebs Cycle and Oxidative phosphorylation

- Aim of Krebs Cycle : Extract electrons (Oxidation) from Acetyl-CoA and give them to NAD<sup>+</sup> and FAD producing NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub> "Reduced Dinucleotides (Coenzymes)"
- Sources of Acetyl-CoA that enter Krebs Cycle
- Carbohydrate
- Fatty acids
- Amino-acids "Ketogenic amino acids"

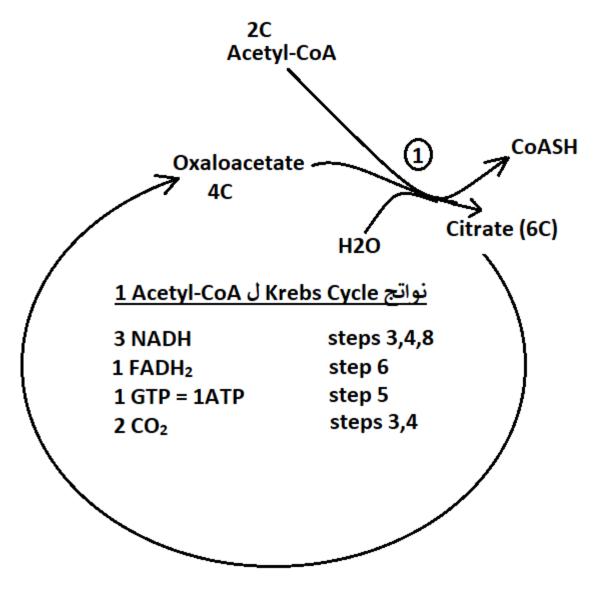
TCA cycle final pathway of the oxidative catabolism of carbohydrates, amino acids, and fatty acids, where their carbon skeletons being converted to carbon dioxide ( $CO_2$ )

## Overall

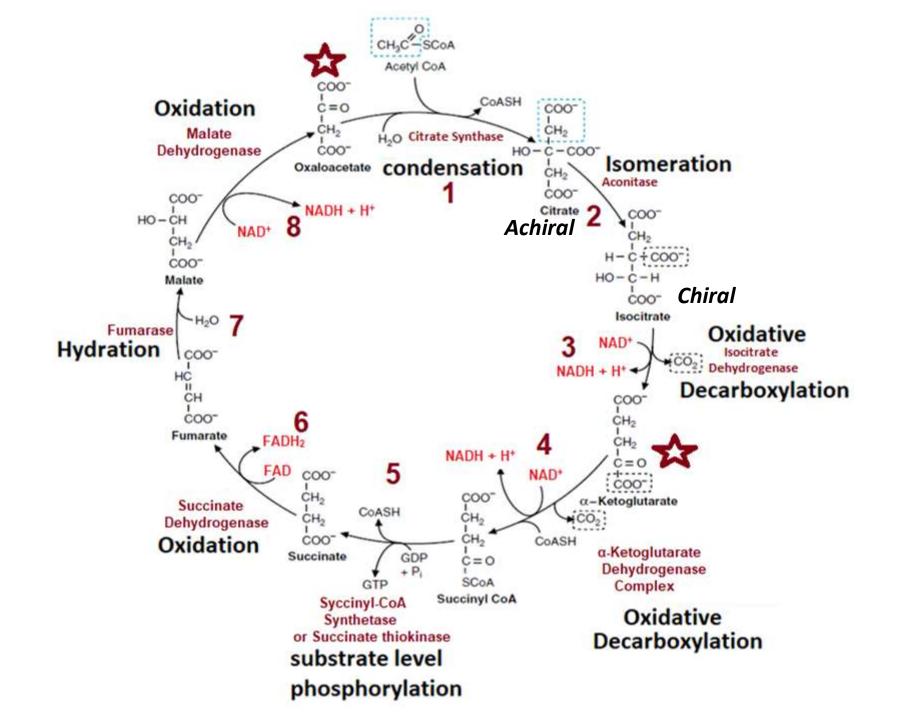
- 4 oxidation steps (3,4,6,8)
- Step 5 produce GTP by substrate level phosphorylation
- Steps 3,4 remove CO<sub>2</sub> (Decarboxylation)

So, steps 3,4 called **Oxidative Decarboxylation** 

 All Enzymes of Krebs Cycle found in Mitochondrial Matrix Except the Enzyme that catalyze Step 6 (found in the inner mitochondrial membrane)

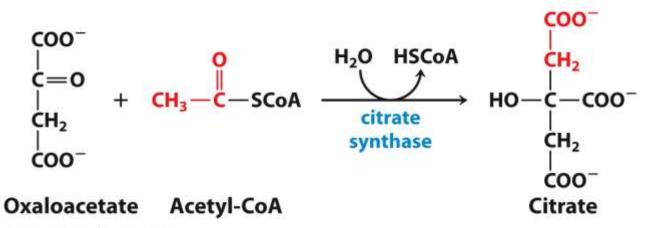


- steps 1, 3, 4 have highly negative ΔG (Irreversible, Committed, Control steps)
- Step 3 is the slowest Step (most important, Rate-limiting step)



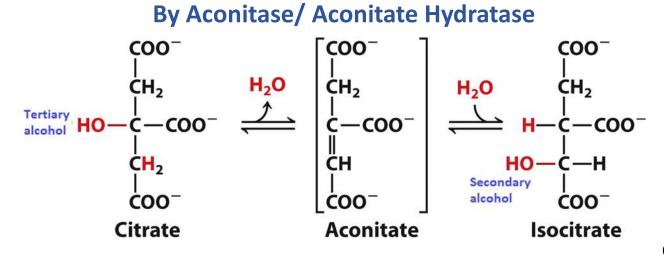
## **Steps in Details**

## Step 1 "Condensation"



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## Step 2 "Isomeration"



There is Intermediate in this step called Aconitate

Condensation of Acetate to Oxaloacetate require energy; this energy comes from breaking CoA (thioester bond) making this step highly Exergonic and Irreversible

Citrate synthase Activated by ADP, inhibited by ATP, NADH, Citrate and succinyl-CoA

The aim of this step is to convert 3° alcohol of Citrate to 2° alcohol in Isocitrate in order to be oxidized

Organic:

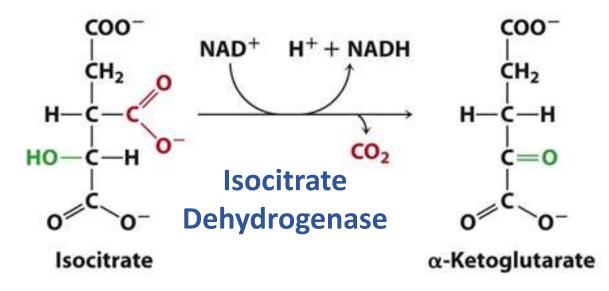
Secondary alcohol oxidized to Ketone

Aconitase an iron-sulfur protein

## Aconitase is inhibited by Fluroacetate

plant toxin that is used as a pesticide. Fluoroacetate is converted to fluoroacetyl CoA that condenses with OAA to form *fluorocitrate*, a potent inhibitor of aconitase

### Step 3 "Oxidative Decarboxylation"

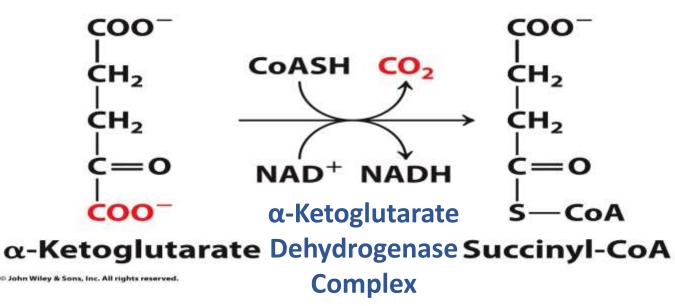


The Most important Step, Slowest Step, Rate-limiting Step

#### Irreversible

Allosterically activated by ADP and Ca<sup>+2</sup> and inhibited by ATP and NADH.

## Step 4 "Oxidative Decarboxylation"

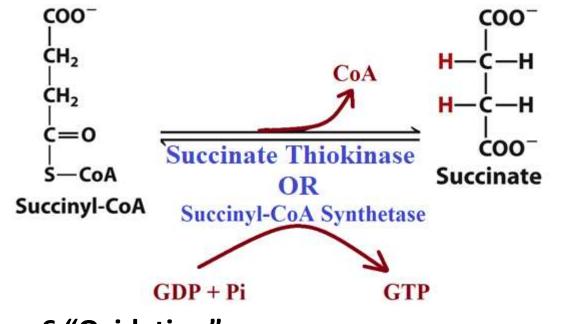


Decarboxylation + Oxidation + binding of CoA Irreversible

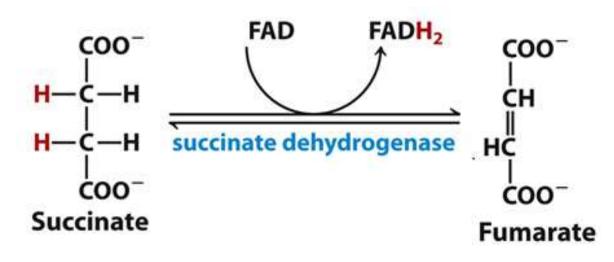
The complex here exactly similar to pyruvate dehydrogenase complex requires TPP, Lipoic acid, CoA, FAD and NAD<sup>+</sup> Affected by Arsenite

inhibited by its product ATP, GTP, NADH and Succinyl Co-A and activated by Ca<sup>+2</sup>.

## **Step 5 "Substrate Level Phosphorylation" produce GTP**



## Step 6 "Oxidation"



## Breaking the thioester bond of CoA release Energy This energy used to synthesize GTP

GTP and ATP are interconvertible by the nucleoside diphosphate kinase

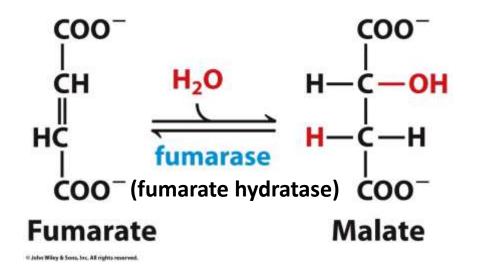
#### Nucleoside Diphosphokinase

GTP + ADP GDP + ATP

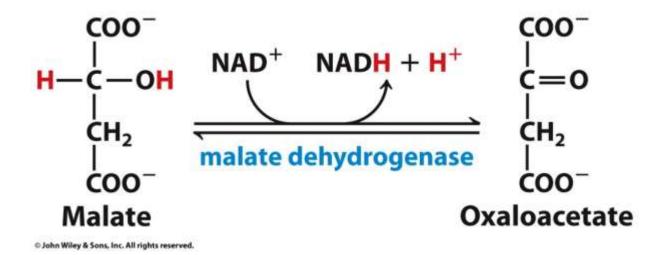
The enzyme that catalyze this step (Succinate Dehydrogenase) Embedded in the inner Mitochondrial Enzyme Its Complex II of ETC

*Malonate* is a competitive inhibitor

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## Step 8 "Oxidation"



TCA Cycle is an aerobic pathway it's part of the Aerobic Respiration (uses oxygen "O<sub>2</sub>") as final electron acceptor from NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub>

# **ENERGY PRODUCED BY THE CYCLE**

Four pairs of electrons (8 electrons) are transferred during one turn of the TCA cycle: three pairs reducing  $3NAD^+$  to 3NADH and one pair reducing FAD to  $FADH_2$ . Oxidation of one NADH by the ETC leads to formation of 3ATP. Oxidation of  $FADH_2$  by the ETC leads to formation of 2ATP

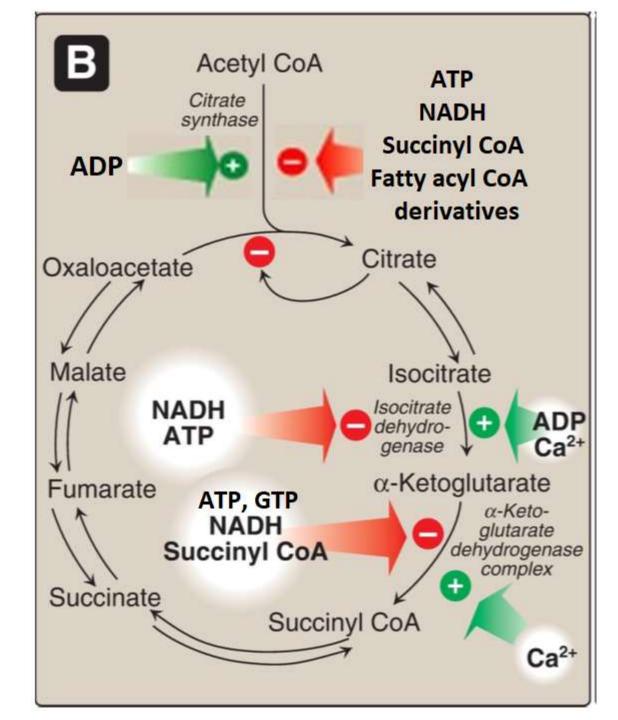
ATP produced by complete oxidation of 1 Acetyl-CoA

Energy-producing reaction	Number of ATP produced
$3 \text{ NADH} \longrightarrow 3 \text{ NAD}^+$	9
$FADH_2 \longrightarrow FAD$	2
$GDP + P_i \longrightarrow GTP$	1
	12 ATP/acetyl CoA oxidized

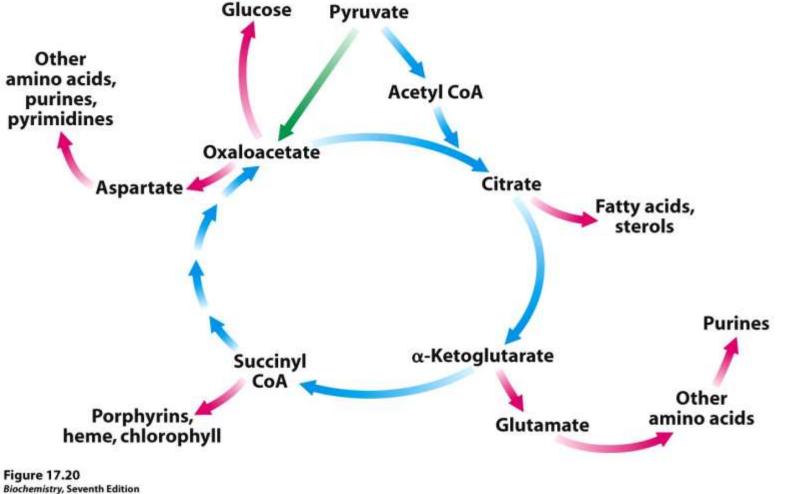
#### **Complete oxidation of 1 Pyruvate yields:**

4 NADH (1NADH by PDH and 3 in TCA cycle) x 3ATP = 12ATP 1FADH<sub>2</sub> x 2ATP = 2ATP 1GTP = 1ATP Total = 12 + 2 + 1 = 15 ATP

## Summary of TCA cycle Control



• Intermediate of Krebs cycle used as precursors for synthesis of many compounds



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## Q: Can you synthesize Glucose from Citrate or other TCA cycle intermediates?

TCA cycle is **Amphibolic,** means it's important for both Catabolism and Anabolism The cycle plays a very important role in synthesis of many compounds, so it is both catabolic and anabolic (**amphibolic**). The most important anabolic functions of the cycle are as follows:

**1- Citrate:** Citrates formed in the mitochondria go to the cytoplasm (citrate shuttle). In the cytosol it gives oxaloacetate and acetyl- CoA by ATP-citrate lyase. Acetyl- CoA in the cytosol is used for synthesis of fatty acids and cholesterol.

**2- α- ketoglutarate:** By transamination, it is converted to glutamate, which has many important functions.

3- Succinyl- CoA: It is used for heme synthesis, oxidation of ketone bodies (ketolysis) and detoxification.

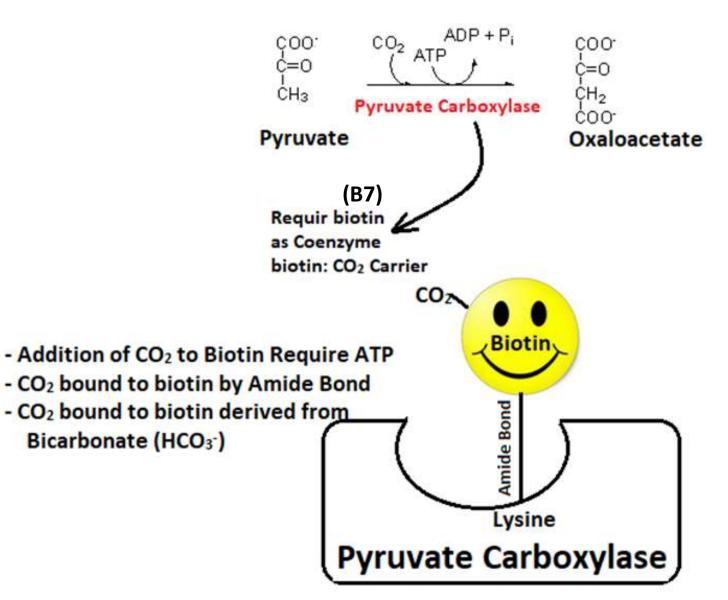
4- Oxaloacetate: By transamination, it is converted to aspartate. Oxaloacetate in the cytosol is converted to phosphoenol pyruvate (PEP), which is converted to glucose (gluconeogenesis).
 5- Malate: It gives pyruvate by malic enzyme in the cytosol.

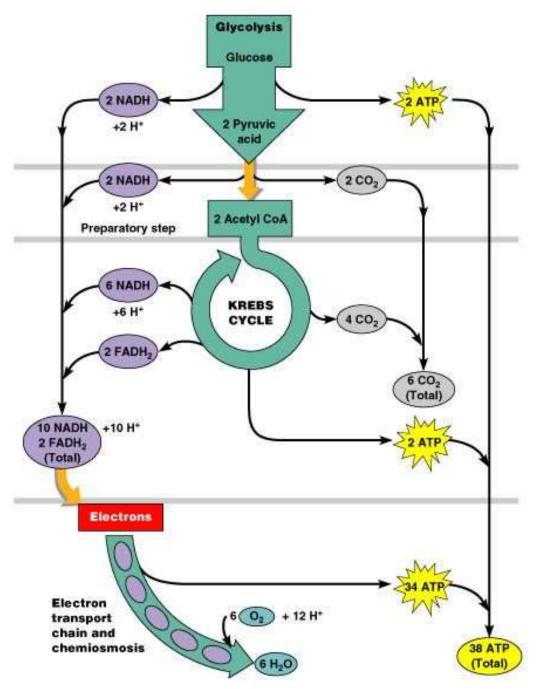
# **Anaplerotic reactions:**

تعوض Reactions that fill up (Replenish) Krebs cycle intermediates when they become low

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The most important one





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**Pyruvate Kinase** 

**Pyruvate Decarboxylate** 

**Pyruvate Dehydrogenase** 

**Pyruvate Carboxylase**