GLYCOLYSIS

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ENERGY PRODUCTION-INTRODUCTION

- Heterotrophic bacteria can use variety of organic compounds as energy sources.
- These compounds include
 - > Carbohydrates
 - Organic acids
 - > Fatty acids
 - > Amino acids
- For many microorganisms the preferred compounds are carbohydrates, especially the 6-carbon glucose.

GLYCOLYSIS - INTRODCUTION

- o Glycolysis Splitting of sugar
- Glycolysis is greak word: glycos means sugar or sweet and lysis means dissolution or degradation.
- Glycolysis process occurs very widely and is found in microorganisms as well as in animals and plants.
- The most common pathway of glucose catabolism is the Embden-Meyerhof pathway of glycolysis.
- Glycolysis is a sequence of 10 reactions that is a that are enzyme catalyzed metabolic pathway.

ENERGY PRODUCTION IN GLYCOLYSIS

- The sequence of glycolysis reactions convert glucose into pyruvate.
- During this process high-energy compounds ATP (Adenosine triphosphate) and NADH (nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide) are produced.
- The process of glycolysis happens in the extramitochondrial portion of the cell.
- Glucose undergoes partial oxidation to produce two molecules of pyruvic acid.

STAGES IN GLYCOLYSIS

• The sequence of glycolysis reaction is separated into two phases - The preparatory phase and the pay-off phase.

Preparatory Phase

- Preparatory phase is the stage in which there is consumption of ATP and is also known as the investment phase.
- The first five steps of the glycolysis reaction is known as the preparatory or investment phase.
- This stage consumes energy to convert the glucose molecule into two molecules three-carbon sugar molecule.

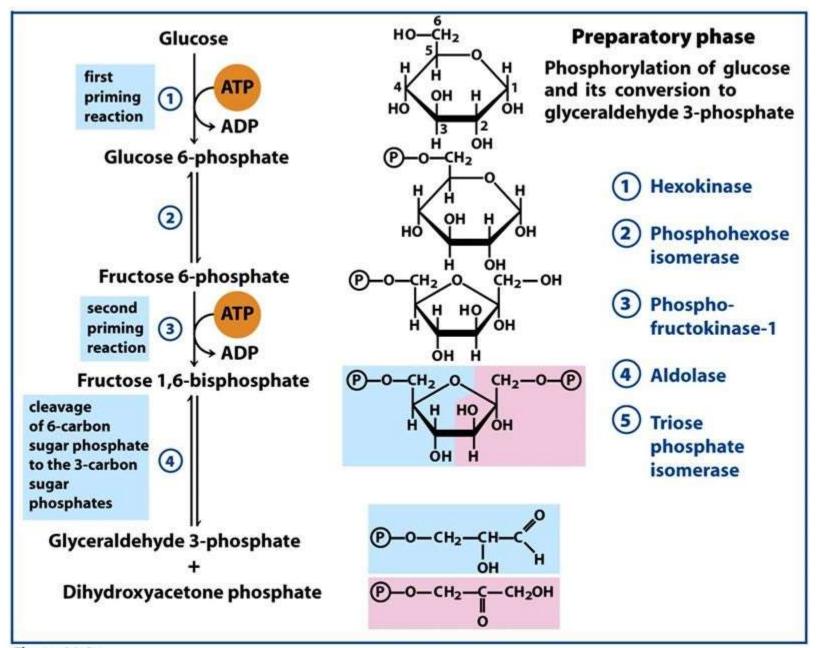


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Pay-off Phase

- The second phase of glycolysis is known as the pay-off phase of glycolysis.
- The pay-off phase is where ATP is produced.
- This phase is characterized by gain of the energyrich molecules ATP and NADH.
- Since glucose leads to two triose sugars in the preparatory phase, each reaction in the pay-off phase occurs twice per glucose molecule.
- This yields 2 NADH molecules and 4 ATP molecules, leading to a net gain of 2 NADH molecules and 2 ATP molecules from the glycolytic pathway per glucose.

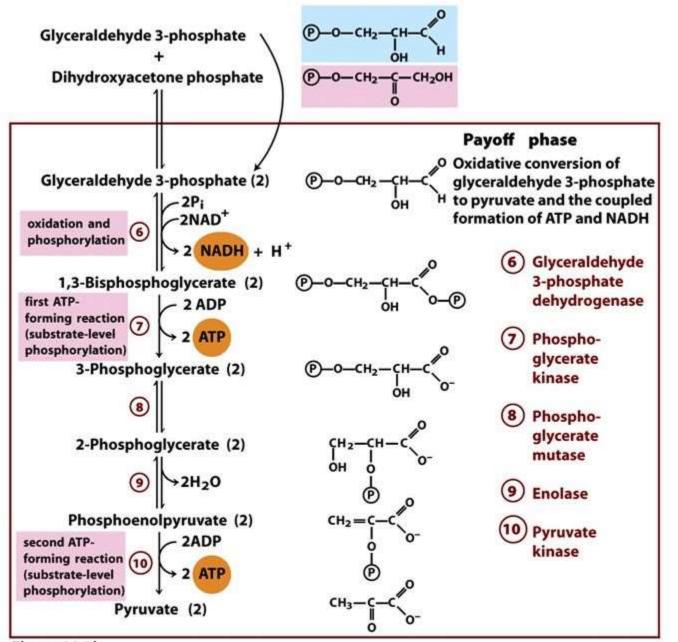


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