# Photosynthesis & Cellular Respiration

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# Cellular Respiration Let's get energized!

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#### The Relationship Between Photosynthesis and Respiration

However, the chemical elements

essential to life are recycled.

Photosynthesis converts <u>light</u> energy from the sun into <u>chemical</u> energy, which is stored in carbohydrates and other organic compounds.











## **OVERVIEW OF RESPIRATION**

Cellular respiration is the process that releases energy by breaking down glucose and other food molecules in the presence of oxygen.

It is the process of converting glucose to ATP.

Equation for respiration:

 $C_6H_{12}O_6 + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O + 38 \text{ ATP}$ 





There is much <u>energy</u> stored in this molecule of <u>glucose</u>. This energy must be released in <u>small, controlled</u> steps. If all the energy from glucose were released at once, most of it would be lost as <u>heat and light</u>.

The energy stored in glucose will be released bit by bit and this energy will be used to produce <u>ATP</u>.

The energy cannot be released from the glucose all at once. It would be the equivalent of the gas tank in your car exploding in one single reaction, rather than in the small controlled combustions that drive your car.

# **THERE ARE 2 TYPES OF RESPIRATION:**

# Aerobic Respiration: Requires oxygen





Anaerobic Respiration: Does NOT require oxygen

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Respiration takes place in three main stages:

Glycolysis (anaerobic)

Krebs cycle (aerobic)

Electron Transport Chain (aerobic)



Glycolysis occurs in the <u>cytoplasm</u>, but the Krebs cycle, and electron transport chain occurs in the <u>mitochondria</u>.

Glycolysis occurs in the cytoplasm.



 The Krebs
cycle and the electron transport
chain occur in the
mitochondria.

# **Definition:**

Glycolysis is the process in which one molecule of glucose is oxidized to produce two molecules of pyruvic acid.





The energy of
<u>2 ATP</u> is used to
convert <u>glucose</u>
into two
molecules of
<u>PGAL</u>.



2. The two molecules of PGAL will be oxidized to produce two molecules of pyruvic acid. Pyruvic acid is a 3-carbon compound.



3. As the PGAL is oxidized, two molecules of NAD<sup>+</sup> will be reduced to form two molecules of NADH . These will be used in the: electron transport chain.



 The oxidation of PGAL also results in the production of <u>4 ATP</u>.



5. The pyruvic acid may: a) enter the mitochondria for the Krebs cycle b) may remain in the cytoplasm for fermentation.

# ATP Production:

<u>Two molecules of ATP</u> are consumed at the beginning, but <u>four</u> molecules of ATP are produced by the end of glycolysis.

Glycolysis has a gain of <u>2 ATP</u>.

Even though cellular respiration is an energy releasing process, the cell must invest a small amount of energy to get the reaction going.



I'm NAD<sup>+</sup>, the hydrogen acceptor. My job is to carry hydrogen to the electron transport chain.

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# NADH Production:



- During this reaction, two high-energy electrons are removed from each PGAL . These electrons are passed to the electron acceptor <u>NAD<sup>+</sup></u>.
- 2. NAD<sup>+</sup> in respiration is similar to NADP<sup>+</sup> in photosynthesis.
- 3. Each NAD<sup>+</sup> accepts a pair of electrons to form <u>NADH</u>.
- 4. This NADH <u>holds the electrons</u> until they can be transferred to other molecules.
- NAD<sup>+</sup> helps to pass the energy from glucose to other pathways in the cells.

## **Advantages and Disadvantages of Glycolysis**



- Glycolysis only produces a gain of <u>2 ATP</u> per molecule of <u>glucose</u>, but the process is so fast that 1000's of ATP are produced in just a few milliseconds.
- Another advantage is that glycolysis does not require <u>oxygen</u>. Energy can be produced for the cell even if no oxygen is present.
- 3. Disadvantage: If the cell relied only on glycolysis for ATP production, the cell would quickly run out of <u>NAD<sup>+</sup></u> to accept the <u>hydrogen electrons</u>. Without NAD<sup>+</sup>, the cell cannot keep glycolysis going and <u>ATP production</u> would stop. To keep glycolysis going, the NADH must deliver their high-energy cargo of electrons to another pathway, and then return to glycolysis to be used again.

#### The Fate of Pyruvic Acid – What happens to it?

There are two possibilities for the path that pyruvic acid will now take. It depends on whether or not oxygen is present.



#### The Fate of Pyruvic Acid – What happens to it?

#### If oxygen is present:

- In the presence of oxygen, the pyruvic acid will enter the <u>mitochondria</u> and undergo <u>aerobic</u> respiration.
- Aerobic respiration includes the stages known as the <u>Krebs cycle</u> and the

#### electron transport chain \_.

3. Aerobic respiration will yield many more <u>ATP</u> than <u>glycolysis</u>.



#### The Fate of Pyruvic Acid – What happens to it?

#### If no oxygen is present:

- In the absence of oxygen, the pyruvic acid will enter the <u>anaerobic</u> pathways of <u>fermentation</u>.
- 2. Fermentation yields no additional <u>ATP</u>.
- 3. Occurs in the <u>cytoplasm</u>.



# What are the two major stages of aerobic respiration?

Aerobic respiration has two major stages:

 The Krebs cycle
The electron transport chain



#### What are the main points of the Krebs cycle?





# Overview of the Electron Transport Chain

- 1. The NADH that has been produced during glycolysis and the <u>Krebs cycle</u> will be used to produce <u>ATP</u>.
- 2. Most of the ATP produced during aerobic respiration is produced by <u>the electron transport chain</u>.

# How does respiration compare in prokaryotic and eukaryotic cells?

In prokaryotic cells, the Krebs cycle and the electron transport chain occur in the <u>cytoplasm</u> and along special structures of the <u>cell membrane</u>.

In eukaryotic cells, these reactions occur inside the <u>mitochondria</u>. If oxygen is available, the pyruvic acid that was produced during glycolysis will enter the mitochondria for aerobic respiration.



# **STRUCTURE OF THE MITOCHONDRIA**

Label the following structures found in the mitochondria.



- 1 Outer membrane
- 2 Inner Membrane
- 3 Matrix
- 4 Cristae

# **STRUCTURE OF THE MITOCHONDRIA**



The Krebs cycle occurs in the <u>matrix of the</u> <u>mitochondria</u> and the electron transport chain occurs along <u>the cristae</u> <u>membranes</u>. The <u>matrix</u> is the space inside the inner membrane.

It contains...

...the enzymes that are needed for the reactions of the Krebs cycle as well as mitochondrial DNA and ribosomes.

The inner membrane has folds and loops called <u>cristae</u>.

The cristae:

increase the surface area for the reactions of the respiration process.

At the end of glycolysis, about 90% of the chemical energy that was available in the <u>glucose</u> molecule is still unused. This energy is locked in: the high-energy electrons of pyruvic acid. The Bridge Reactions: As the pyruvic acid enters the mitochondria, the following reaction occurs.

Steps in the Bridge Reaction:

1. Pyruvic acid enters the mitochondria.



2. The 3-C pyruvic acid is converted to 2-C acetate . This is accomplished by removing a molecule of  $CO_2$ from each molecule of pyruvic acid. The carbon dioxide is: released into the air.



3. For each pyruvic acid that is converted to <u>acetate</u>, one molecule of NAD<sup>+</sup> is converted to NADH .



4. <u>Coenzyme A</u> attaches to the acetate to form <u>acetyl CoA</u>. The acetyl-CoA will be used in the <u>Kreb's cycle</u>.



- This reaction is often referred to as "The Bridge Reaction".
  - "<u>The Bridge Reaction</u> It is the bridge between:
- a) the cytoplasm and the mitochondria
- b) anaerobic and aerobic respiration
- c) glycolysis and the Krebs cycle.



# **The Krebs Cycle**

The Krebs cycle is a biochemical pathway that uses the <u>acetyl-CoA</u> molecules from the bridge reactions to produce:

- hydrogen atoms
- ATP
- carbon dioxide.

This set of reactions occurs in the <u>matrix</u> of the mitochondria .



The Krebs cycle is so named to honor Hans Krebs. He was a German – British scientist who was largely responsible for working out the pathway in the 1930's.

1. CoA attaches the 2-C acetate to the 4-C oxaloacetic acid to produce the 6C compound called citric acid. The CoA is regenerated to be used again.



2. The 6-C citric acid releases a molecule of  $CO_2$ to form a 5-C compound. As citric acid is oxidized, the hydrogen is transferred to NAD<sup>+</sup> to form NADH



3. The 5-C compound releases CO<sub>2</sub> and a hydrogen atom forming a 4-C compound. NAD<sup>+</sup> is reduced to form NADH and one molecule of ATP is produced.



4. This 4-C compound releases a <u>hydrogen</u> to form another 4-C compound. This time, the hydrogen is used to reduce FAD to FADH<sub>2</sub>.



5. In the last step, the **4-C** oxaloacetic acid is regenerated which keeps the Krebs cycle going. The hydrogen that is released is used to form a final NADH.



# **Summary of the Krebs Cycle**

NAD<sup>+</sup> and FAD are electron carriers very similar to the NADP<sup>+</sup> that was used in photosynthesis. NAD<sup>+</sup> and FAD will deliver the high-energy electrons of hydrogen to the electron transport chain.



# **Summary of the Krebs Cycle**



What is the total amount of CO<sub>2</sub>, ATP, NADH, and FADH<sub>2</sub> that is produced during one turn of the Krebs cycle?

- a) 2 CO<sub>2</sub>
- b) 1 ATP
- c) 3 NADH
- d) 1 FADH<sub>2</sub>

The above totals are for one molecule of pyruvic acid.

# **Summary of the Krebs Cycle**

Now remember that during glycolysis, <u>glucose</u> was broken down into two molecules of <u>pyruvic acid</u>. Therefore, one glucose molecule causes <u>two</u> turns of the Krebs cycle .

What is the total amount of CO<sub>2</sub>, ATP, NADH, and FADH<sub>2</sub> that is produced per molecule of glucose in the Krebs cycle?

- a) 4 CO<sub>2</sub>
- b) 2 ATP
- c) 6 NADH
- d) 2 FADH<sub>2</sub>





# What happens to each of these products?

- a) The carbon dioxide is released when you exhale.
- b) The ATP is used for cellular activities.
- c) The NADH and the FADH<sub>2</sub> will be used in the next stage to generate huge amounts of ATP.

Most of the energy contained in the original <u>glucose</u> molecule still has not been transferred to <u>ATP</u>. This transfer of energy will occur in the next step, the <u>electron transport chain</u>.

# The Electron Transport Chain

The electron transport chain consists of a series of <u>proteins</u> that are embedded in the <u>inner membranes (cristae)</u> of the mitochondria in eukaryotic cells. In prokaryotic cells, the electron transport chain lies along the <u>cell membrane</u>.

In this last stage of aerobic respiration, NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub> will: release hydrogen atoms, generating energy to produce ATP.

# **The Electron Transport Chain**

What is the total number of NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub> that has been produced so far?

- a) 10 NADH (2 from glycolysis, 2 from the bridge reactions and 6 from the Krebs cycle)
- b) 2 FADH<sub>2</sub> (from the Krebs cycle)
- c) The purpose of NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub> is to: carry high-energy electrons to the electron transport chain.
- d) The electron transport chain uses these high-energy electrons to convert <u>ADP to ATP</u>.



#### First, let's label a few sections of the diagram.



1. The high-energy electrons from <u>NADH and FADH</u><sub>2</sub> are passed along the electron transport chain, from one protein to the next.



At the end of the electron transport chain, the <u>electrons and hydrogen</u> will be combined with <u>oxygen</u> to form <u>water</u>.



 Oxygen is the final <u>electron acceptor</u>. Oxygen is essential for getting rid of: low energy electrons and hydrogen ions.



4. As these electrons move down the electron transport chain, they release <u>energy</u>. This energy is used to pump <u>hydrogen protons (H<sup>+</sup>)</u> across the membrane from the <u>matrix</u> to the <u>inner membrane space</u>. The hydrogen protons are pumped <u>against</u> the concentration gradient from an area of <u>low</u> concentration in the matrix to an area of <u>high</u> concentration in the inner membrane space.



5. A concentration <u>gradient</u> has now been established. There is a high concentration of hydrogen in the <u>inner membrane</u> space and a low concentration in the <u>matrix</u>.



Also embedded in the mitochondrial membranes are enzymes called <u>ATP synthases</u>. Hydrogen ions flow through <u>ATP synthase</u> back to the <u>matrix</u>, the area of <u>low</u> concentration.



7. As the hydrogen flows through ATP synthase, it <u>spins a rotor</u>. Each time it rotates, a <u>phosphate</u> is attached to <u>ADP</u> to form <u>ATP</u>.

#### **Recap of Electron Transport**

- a) This system couples the movement of <u>high-energy electrons</u> with the production of <u>ATP</u>.
- b) As the high-energy electrons move down the electron transport chain, they release <u>energy</u>.
- c) This energy is used to move <u>hydrogen protons (H<sup>+</sup>)</u> across the membrane.
- d) These ions then rush back across the membrane, producing: enough force to spin the ATP synthase and generate enormous amounts of ATP.



# **ATP Accounting**

Let's summarize what has happened prior to the electron transport chain:



# **ATP Accounting**

Each NADH has enough energy to produce 3 ATP. Each FADH<sub>2</sub> has enough energy to produce 2 ATP.

10 NADH = <u>30 ATP</u>

 $2 \text{ FADH}_2 = 4 \text{ ATP}$ 

#### Glycolysis $\rightarrow \underline{2 \text{ ATP}}$ Krebs cycle $\rightarrow \underline{2 \text{ ATP}}$ Electron Transport Chain $\rightarrow \underline{34 \text{ ATP}}$

One molecule of glucose has produced <u>38 ATP</u>.



Only about 40% of the energy contained in the glucose molecule has been converted to <u>ATP</u>. The remaining 60% is given off as <u>heat</u>. Fermentation occurs when: oxygen is not present.

Since no oxygen is required, fermentation is an <u>anaerobic</u> process.



The anaerobic pathways are not very efficient in transferring energy from <u>glucose</u> to <u>ATP</u>.



Fermentation will yield only a gain of <u>2 ATP</u> per molecule of <u>glucose</u>.

### There are two main types of fermentation:

# Alcoholic fermentation $\rightarrow$





### ←Lactic acid fermentation

### **Alcoholic Fermentation**

### <u>Yeasts</u> perform alcoholic fermentation. Yeasts convert <u>pyruvic acid</u> into <u>ethyl alcohol</u> when they run out of <u>Oxygen</u>.





Yeasts are used to make breads and alcohol.

#### The Steps of Alcoholic Fermentation



Yeasts are used in this way in both the <u>alcohol</u> and the <u>baking</u> industries.

The alcohol makes alcoholic beverages.

The <u>carbon dioxide</u> that is given off causes bread dough to <u>rise</u>. Small bubbles are formed in the dough, making the bread rise. (The alcohol evaporates during the baking process.)

### The Steps of Lactic Acid Fermentation



<u>Pyruvic acid</u> is converted to <u>lactic acid</u> by <u>muscle</u> cells when there is a shortage of <u>oxygen</u>.

It is produced in muscle cells during strenuous exercise because the muscles are using up the <u>oxygen</u> that is present and the body is not supplying the muscle tissue with enough additional oxygen.

This causes <u>severe cramps</u> because it lowers the <u>pH</u> of the muscle and reduces the muscle's ability to <u>contract</u>. When oxygen <u>returns</u> to the muscles, the <u>lactic acid</u> will be converted back to <u>pyruvic acid</u>. The pyruvic acid will then go into <u>aerobic</u> respiration.

A wide variety of foods are produced by bacteria using lactic acid fermentation: cheese, yogurt, buttermilk, sour cream, pickles, sauerkraut.



## **Evolution of Anaerobic Pathways**



The <u>anaerobic</u> pathways probably evolved very early in the history of life on Earth.

The first organisms were <u>bacteria</u> and they produced all of their <u>ATP</u> through glycolysis.

It took over a <u>billion</u> years for the first <u>photosynthetic</u> organisms to appear on Earth.



These photosynthetic organisms began to fill the atmosphere with <u>oxygen</u>, which stimulated the evolution of organisms that use <u>aerobic</u> respiration.

The anaerobic pathways provide enough energy for only: <u>small, unicellular organisms.</u>





Larger organisms have much greater <u>energy requirements</u> that cannot be satisfied by <u>anaerobic</u> respiration alone. Larger organisms rely on the more energy efficient pathways of <u>aerobic</u> respiration.

### **Comparing Photosynthesis to Respiration**

	Photosynthesis	Respiration
Function	Energy capture.	Energy release.
Location	Chloroplasts	Mitochondria
Reactants	CO <sub>2</sub> and H <sub>2</sub> O	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>6</sub> and O₂
Products	$C_6H_{12}O_6$ and $O_2$	$CO_2$ and $H_2O$
Equation	$CO_2 + H_2O + sun \rightarrow C_6H_{12}O_6$ and $O_2$	$C_6H_{12}O_6 + O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + H_2O + 38 ATP$