

BI/CH 422/622

OUTLINE:

Introduction and Review
Transport
Glycogenolysis
Glycolysis
Other sugars
Pasteur: Anaerobic vs Aerobic

Exam-1 material

Fermentations

Exam-2 material

Pyruvate

pyruvate dehydrogenase (ox-decarbox; S-ester)

Krebs' Cycle

How did he figure it out?

Overview

8 Steps

Citrate Synthase (C-C)
Aconitase (=, -OH)
Isocitrate dehydrogenase (ox-decarbox; =O)
Ketoglutarate dehydrogenase (ox-decarbox; S-ester)
Succinyl-CoA synthetase (sub-level phos)
Succinate dehydrogenase (=)
Fumarate (-OH)
Malate dehydrogenase (=O)

Exam-3 material

Lipid Degradation (Catabolism)

FOUR stages in the catabolism of lipids:

Mobilization from adipose tissues

Activation of fatty acids

Transport

Oxidation

Energetics
Regulation
Summary

Oxidative Phosphorylation

Energetics (-0.16 V needed for making ATP)

Mitochondria

Transport (2.4 kcal/mol needed to transport H⁺ out)

Electron transport

Discovery

Four Complexes

Complex I: NADH → CoQH₂
Complex II: Succinate → CoQH₂
Complex III: CoQH₂ → Cytochrome C (Fe²⁺)
Complex IV: Cytochrome C (Fe²⁺) → H₂O

Chemiosmotic theory: Phosphorylation

ATPase

Mitchell Hypothesis

Binding-Change Model

Connection to the proton motive force

Net ATP production

Regulation

Lipid Degradation

Lipid Catabolism

OUTLINE:

Fat Catabolism

diet

storage

Fatty-Acid Catabolism

mobilization

Activation

Transport

Oxidation

Saturated FA

β -oxidation

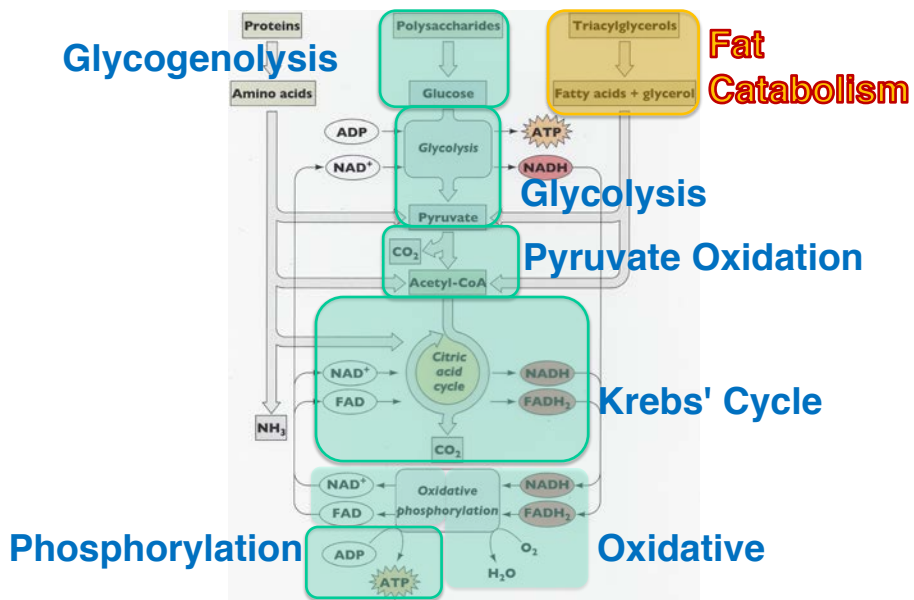
energetics

Unsaturated FA

Odd-chain FA

Ketone Bodies

Lipid Degradation

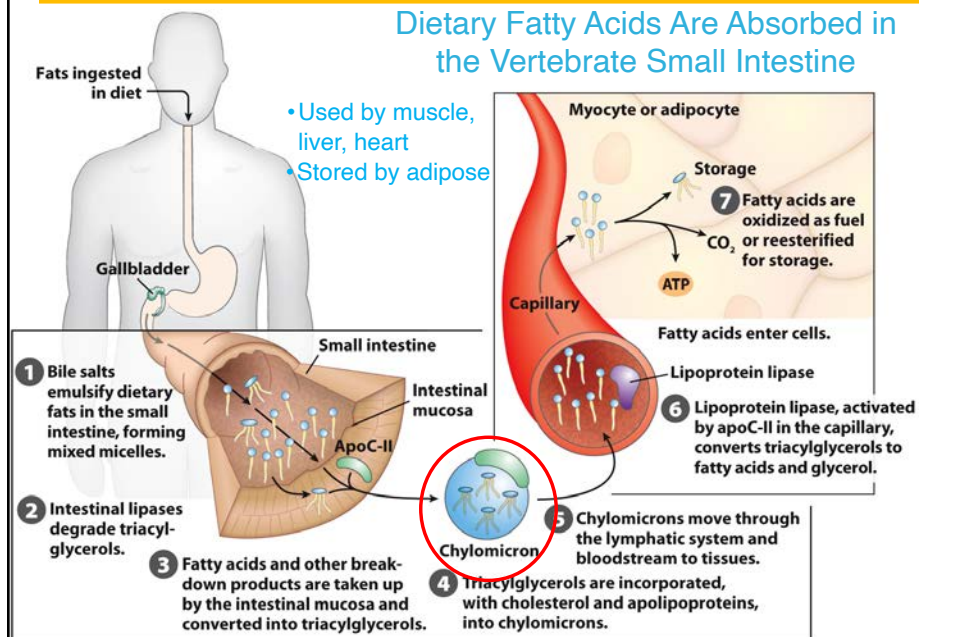


Fat Catabolism

- Fat as a fuel; ingestion of the “chunks”
- How fats are mobilized and transported in animal tissues
- COMPARTMENTATION
 - How fats are oxidized in mitochondria
 - Glycerol
 - Saturated Fatty Acids
 - Un-saturated Fatty Acids
 - Odd-chain Fatty Acids
 - Blocks to oxidation in mitochondria: How “ketone bodies” are utilized
 - Fatty-acid metabolism in other organelles

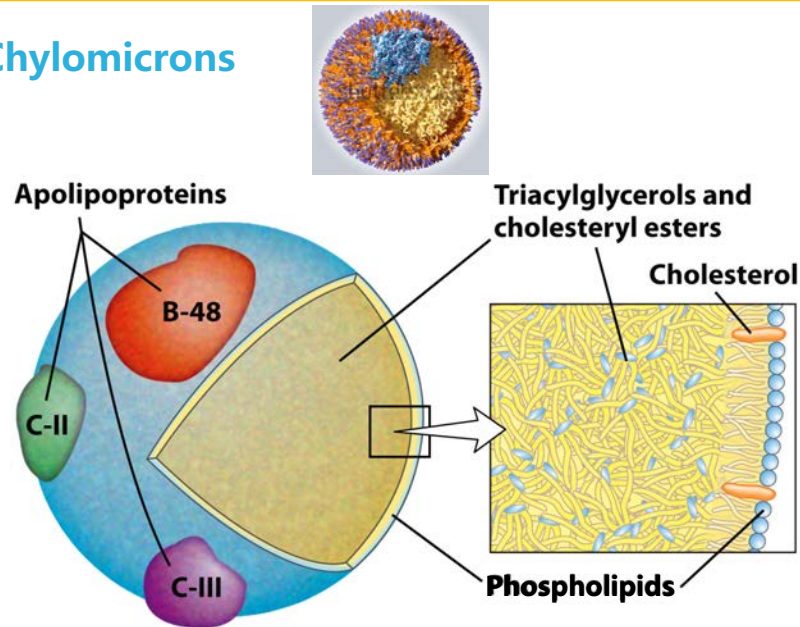
Fat Catabolism

Dietary Fatty Acids Are Absorbed in the Vertebrate Small Intestine



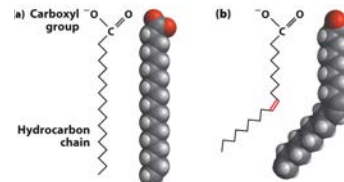
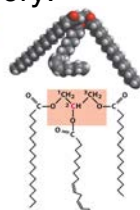
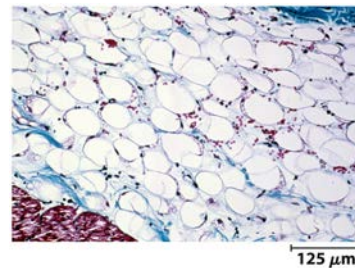
Fat Catabolism

Chylomicrons



Fat Catabolism

- Fuel Storage of Fat is efficient
- The advantage of fats over polysaccharides:
 - Fatty acids carry more energy per carbon because they are more reduced.
 - Fatty acids complex or carry less water because they are nonpolar.
- Glucose and glycogen are for short-term energy needs and quick delivery.
- Fats are for long-term (months) energy needs, storage, and have slow delivery.



Fatty acids come in all types: ± double bonds, long & short, odd & even, etc.

- How are fat stores accessed?

Lipid Degradation: Fatty Acids

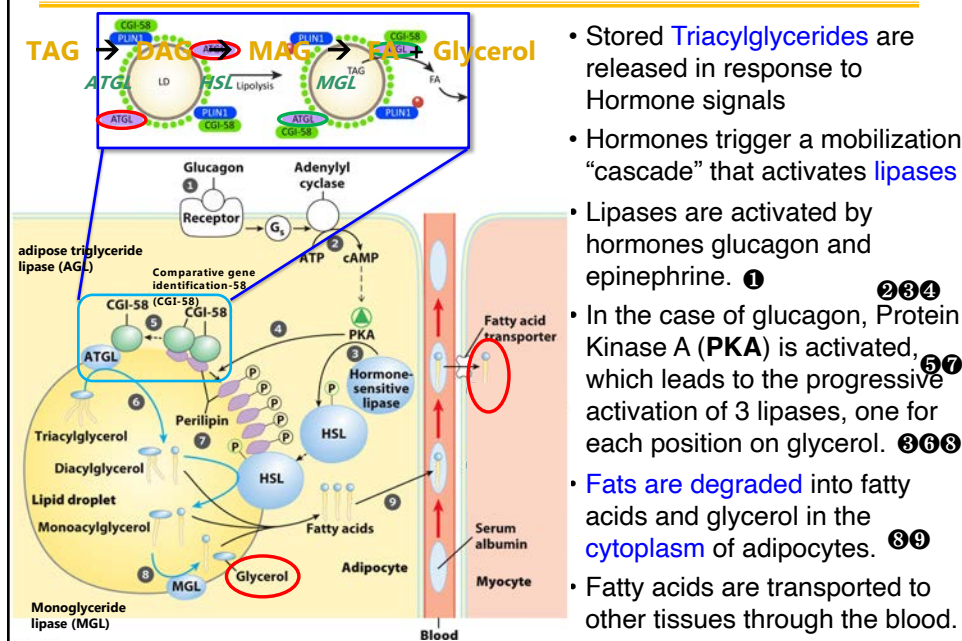
- Fatty Acid Oxidation is a Major Energy Source
- About **one-third of human energy** needs comes from dietary triacylglycerols (fat).
- There are differences in tissue utilization. About 80% of energy needs of mammalian **heart and liver** are met by oxidation of fatty acids.
- Many hibernating animals, such as grizzly bears, rely almost exclusively on fats as their source of energy.



There are **FOUR** stages in the catabolism of fatty acids:

- 1) Mobilization from tissues (mostly adipose)
- 2) Activation of fatty acids
- 3) Transport
- 4) Oxidation

Fatty Acid Degradation Mobilization

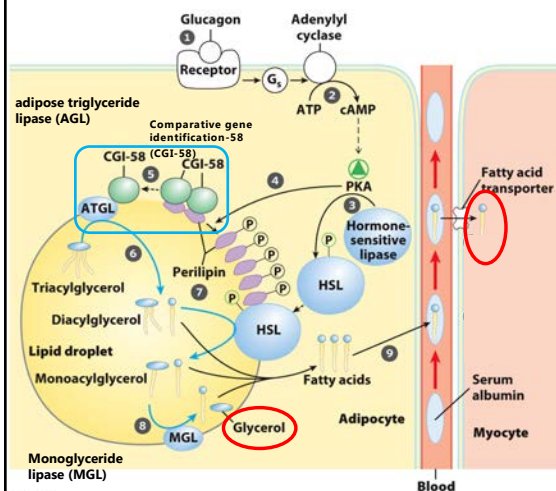


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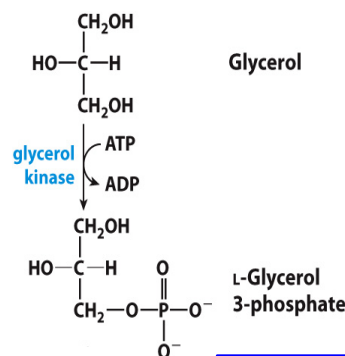


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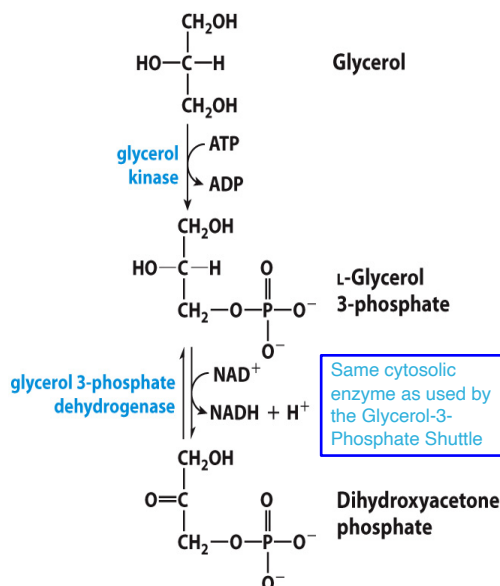
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Same cytosolic enzyme as used by the Glycerol-3-Phosphate Shuttle

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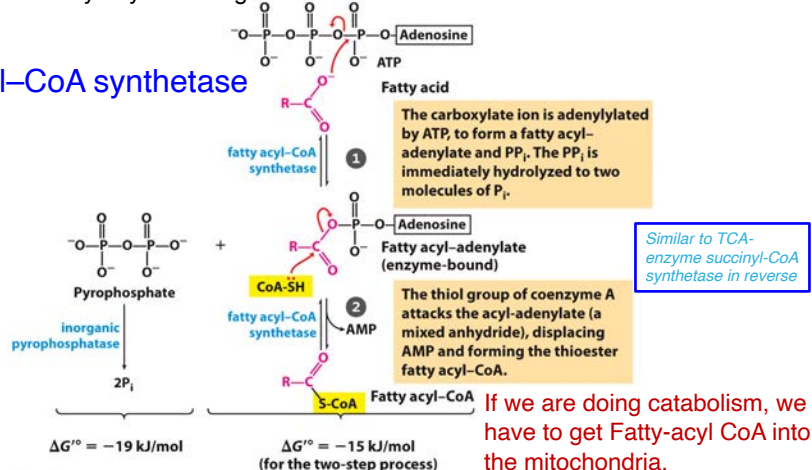


Fatty Acid Degradation

Activation

- Like the activation of sugars by phosphorylation, fatty acids must also be activated.
- Not having any alcohol groups, esterification of the carboxylate is the only chemistry available.
- A thio-ester is a higher energy bond than a simple ester: use Coenzyme A.
- Conversion to Fatty Acyl-CoA targets these molecules for oxidation

Fatty acyl-CoA synthetase

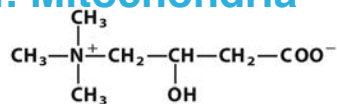


Fatty Acid Degradation

Transport

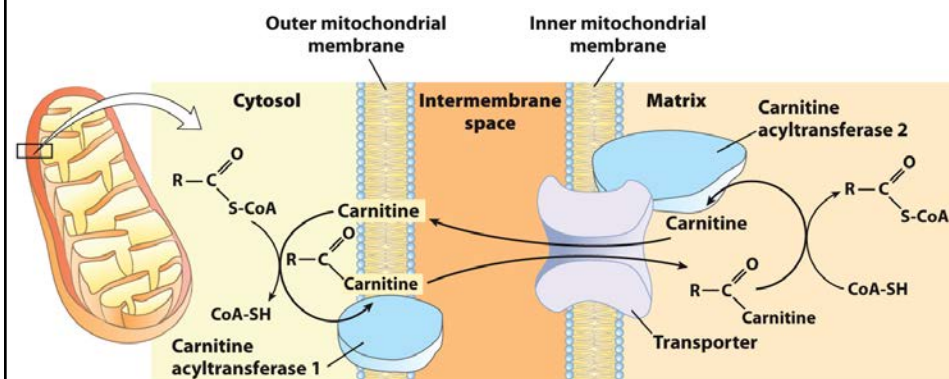
COMPARTMENTATION: Mitochondria

Acyl-Carnitine/Carnitine Transport



Carnitine

- β oxidation of fatty acids occurs in mitochondria.
- Fatty acyl-CoAs are transported via [acyl-carnitine/carnitine transporter \(anti-porter\)](#).

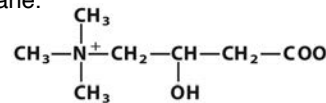


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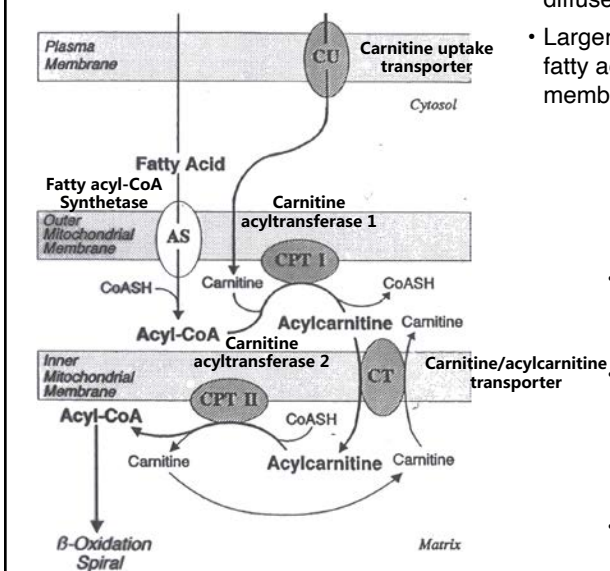
Transport

Acyl-Carnitine/Carnitine Transport

- Small (< 12 carbons) free fatty acids diffuse freely across membranes.
- Larger fatty acids are transported via fatty acid transporters on the plasma membrane.

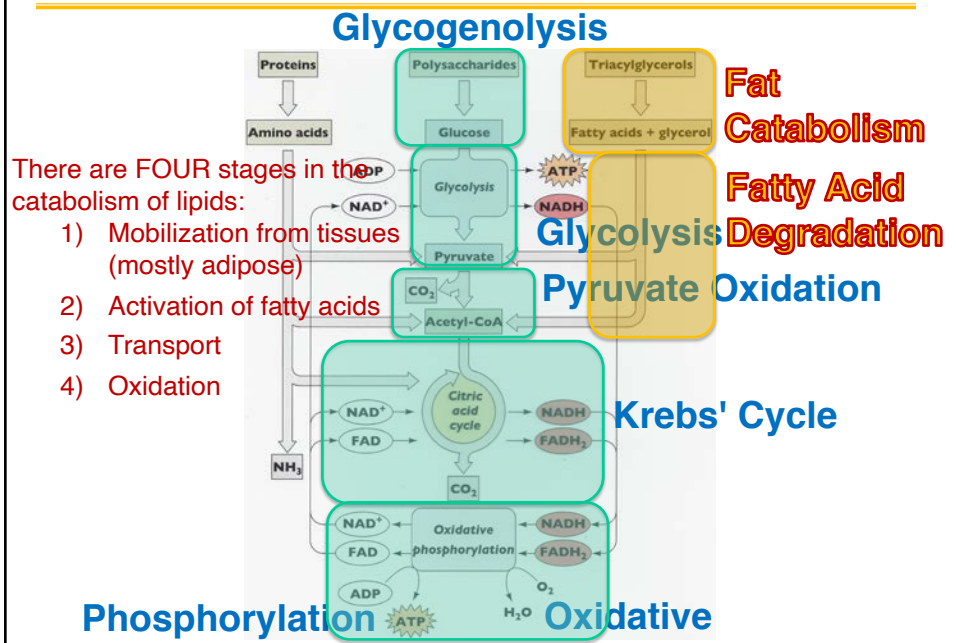


Carnitine



- [Fatty-acyl-CoA Synthetase](#) is attached to the OUTER mitochondrial membrane.
- Recent evidence shows that its associated with an integral membrane transporter: [Fatty-acyl Transporter Protein I](#)
- Together, they are indicated on the figure as AS.

Lipid Degradation: Fatty Acids



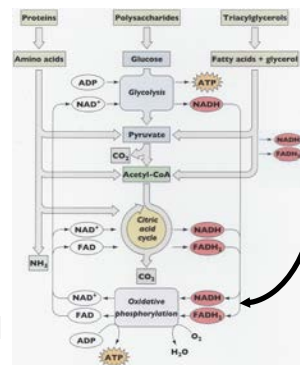
Oxidation

Degradation of Saturated Fatty Acids

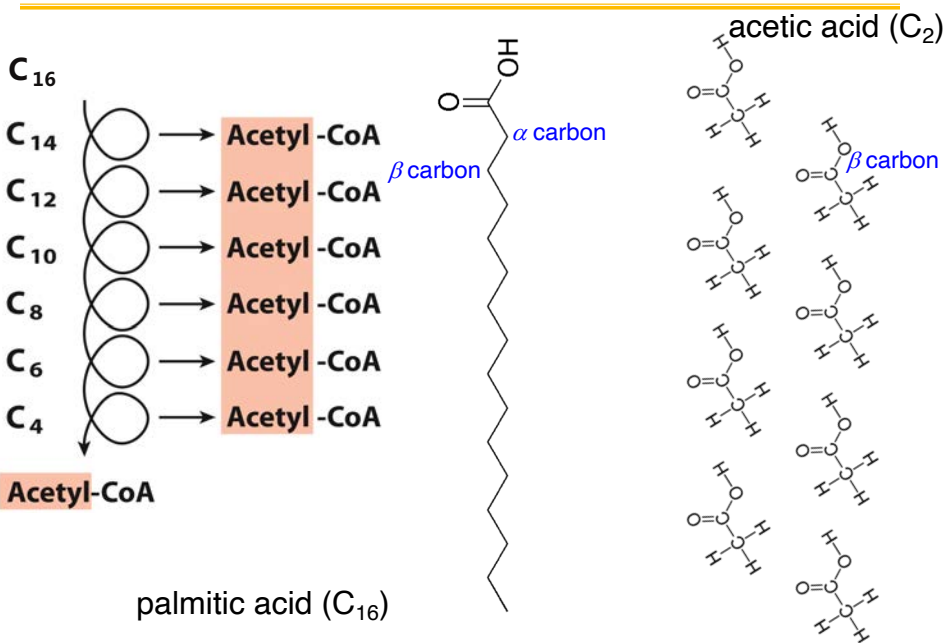
Fatty Acid Degradation

Oxidation

- **Fatty Acid Oxidation** consists of oxidative conversion of **two-carbon** units into **acetyl-CoA** at the **β carbon** of the fatty acid with concomitant generation of NADH and FADH_2 .
 - involves oxidation of β carbon to thioester of fatty acyl-CoA
 - Concept of thiolysis; similar to phosphorolysis for polysaccharides
- The acetyl-CoA is converted into CO_2 via **citric acid cycle** with concomitant generation NADH and FADH_2 . The NADH and FADH_2 are re-oxidized via the **electron transport down the respiratory chain**, and conversion into ATP.
- CONVERGENT PATHWAY with GLUCOSE.



Fatty Acid Degradation



Fatty Acid Degradation

β Oxidation

β α

Reaction 1: $R-CH_2-CH_2-C(=O)-S-CoA \xrightarrow{FADH_2} R-CH=CH-C(=O)-S-CoA$

Reaction 2: $R-CH=CH-C(=O)-S-CoA + H_2O \rightarrow R-CH(OH)-CH_2-C(=O)-S-CoA$

Reaction 3: $R-CH(OH)-CH_2-C(=O)-S-CoA \xrightarrow{NADH} R-C(=O)-CH_2-C(=O)-S-CoA$

Citric acid cycle

Reaction 1: $HOOC-CH_2-CH_2-COO^- \xrightarrow{FADH_2} HOOC-CH=CH-COO^-$

Reaction 2: $HOOC-CH=CH-COO^- + H_2O \rightarrow HOOC-CH(OH)-CH_2-COO^-$

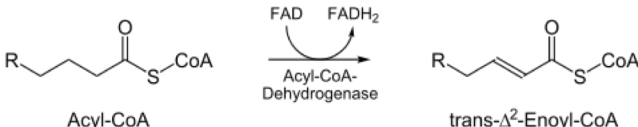
Reaction 3: $HOOC-CH(OH)-CH_2-COO^- \xrightarrow{NADH} HOOC-C(=O)-CH_2-COO^-$

$R-CH_2-CH_2-R$

$R-C(=O)-CH=CH-R$

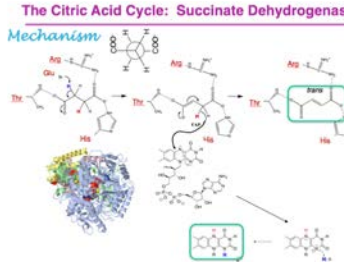
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β -Oxidation: Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase



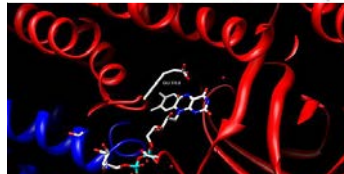
Acyl-CoA $\xrightarrow[\text{Acyl-CoA-Dehydrogenase}]{\text{FAD} \rightarrow \text{FADH}_2}$ $\text{trans-}\Delta^2\text{-Enoyl-CoA}$

- Catalyzed by **isoforms** of **acyl-CoA dehydrogenase (AD)** on the **inner-mitochondrial membrane**
 - very-long-chain AD (12–18 carbons)*
 - medium-chain AD (4–14 carbons)
 - short-chain AD (4–8 carbons)
- Results in **trans double bond**, different from naturally occurring unsaturated fatty acids
- Mechanism same as succinate dehydrogenase



The Citric Acid Cycle: Succinate Dehydrogenase

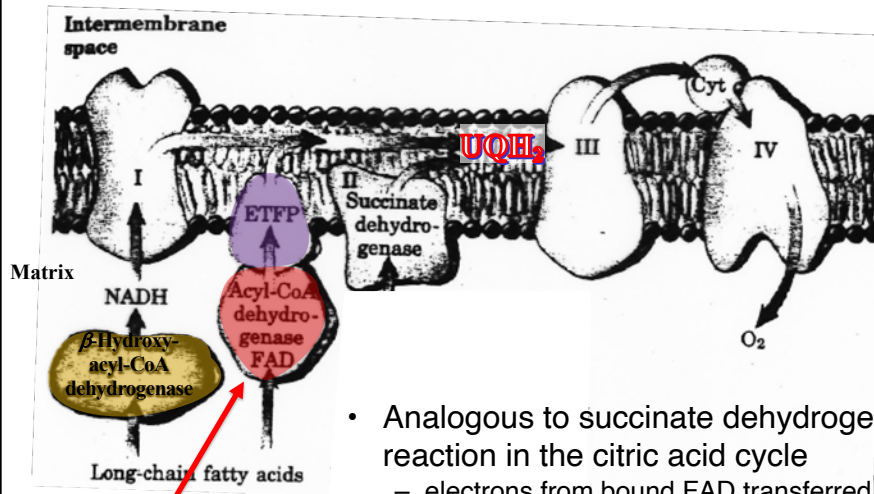
Mechanism



*Adrenoleukodystrophy (ALD)

Fatty Acid Degradation

β -Oxidation: Acyl-CoA Dehydrogenase



Different isozymes bind to same ETF

- Analogous to succinate dehydrogenase reaction in the citric acid cycle
 - electrons from bound FAD transferred directly to the electron- transport chain via [electron-transferring flavoprotein](#) (ETF)