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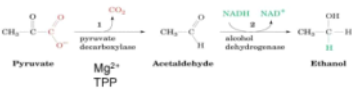
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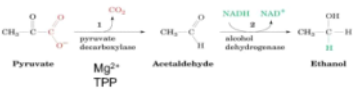
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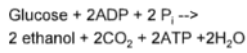


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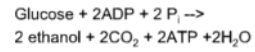
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Aerobic respiration is best way to utilize full energy of glucose

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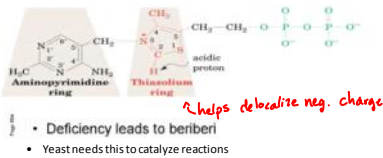
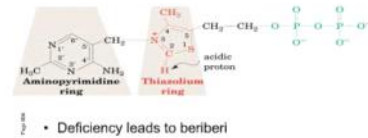
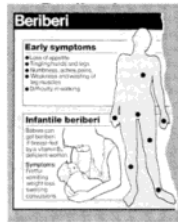


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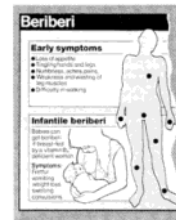


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Caused by TPP deficiency from:

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- Symptoms: dehydration, fatigue, headache, nausea, diarrhea, weakness, anxiety, irritability
- NADH builds up and inhibits gluconeogenesis in the liver
- B<sub>12</sub> deficiency
- Ethanol is diuretic → water loss → decrease blood volume, decrease brain size (headache), irritates stomach (GI system)
- Each ethanol molecule uses 2 NADH molecules so NAD<sup>+</sup> is accumulated... check this?
- Buildup of NAD<sup>+</sup> slows down gluconeogenesis
- Leads to hypoglycemia

Missing: picture of heart

## Gluconeogenesis = "new sugar"

- Formation of glucose from pyruvate. Lactate is from anaerobic fermentation in mammals
- lactate, glycerol, certain amino acids
- Occurs in all animals, plants, fungi, and microbes
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## Gluconeogenesis vs Glycolysis

- Gluconeogenesis utilizes glycolytic enzymes
- HK, PFK, PK are replaced by other enzymes
  - These enzymes catalyze reactions by high negative  $\Delta G$  to enzymes that are more thermodynamically ideal
- Pyruvate → Oxaloacetate → PEP
  - Pyruvate: 3 C compound
  - Oxaloacetate: 4 C compound
  - PEP: 3 C compound
  - Enzymes:
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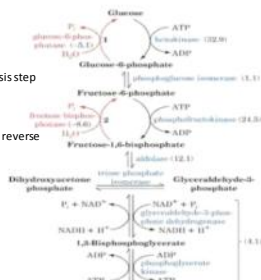
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Different than glycolysis shown in red

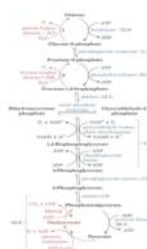
Gluconeogenesis bottom to top



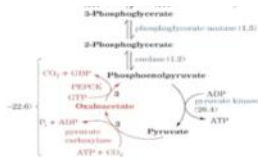
Different enzymes are generally used in gluconeogenesis when the reverse glycolysis step has high negative  $\Delta G$  and therefore a high positive  $\Delta G$  for gluconeogenesis

Having different enzymes for forward and reverse reaction allows them to be regulated independently

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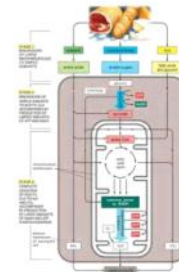
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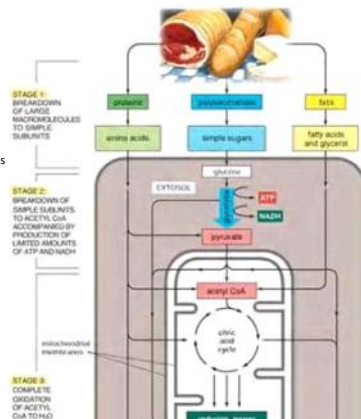
Oxidize pyruvate to  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  and  $\text{CO}_2$



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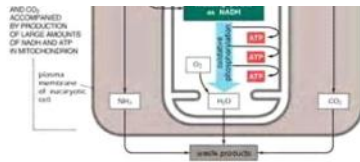
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Source of pyruvate is not just from glycolysis



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### PDC

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- Cluster of enzymes
- Bridges glycolysis (anaerobic metabolism) to TCA cycle (aerobic metabolism)
- mitochondria of eukaryotic cells, and cytosol of prokaryotic cells
- Catalyzes oxidative decarboxylation of pyruvate



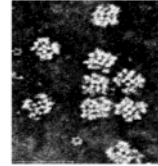
- Noncovalently associated cluster of enzymes
- Cluster of 3 enzymes (picture shows more than 3 since more than one cluster clumped together)

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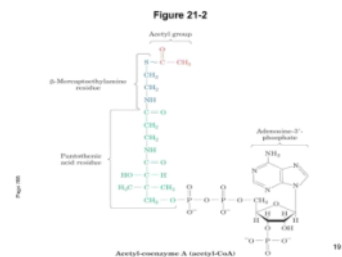


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- Eukaryotic PDC is complex!

### Advantages of a multienzyme complex

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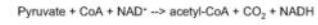
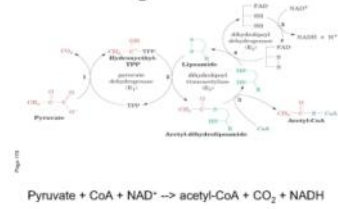
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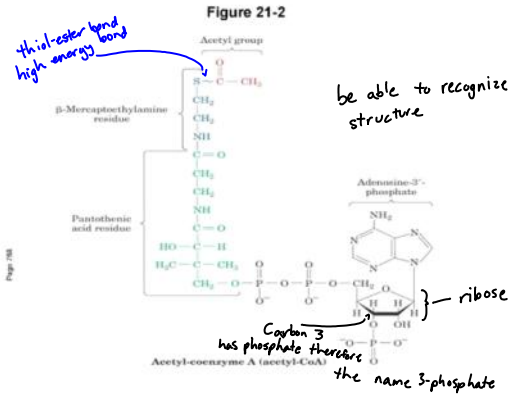
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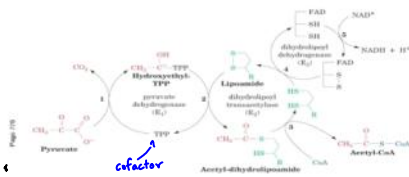
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Pyruvate (3C compound) to acetyl-CoA (2 carbon compound)  
CO<sub>2</sub> is byproduct  
NADH is produced too (so NAD<sup>+</sup> is used in reaction)

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Overall Reaction:  
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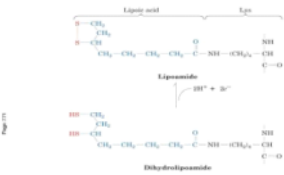


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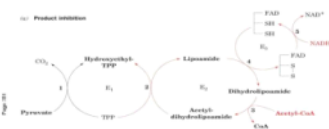


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