



Electron Transport

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Overview

Reminder

- All students in section 1D, Tuesday 1-2pm with Midge will have a room change for next week Dec 4th. Please join Rebecca and section 2D in WGYH CS24 at the same time. There is plenty of room!!!

Overview

- Reduction Potentials
- Phosphorylation and Oxidation
- Electron Transport System

Biochemical Half-Reactions Are Physiologically Important

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- Slide 4 Missing Table 16-4A Standard Reduction Potentials of Some Biochemically Important half - reactions
 - Oxygen is best oxidizing agent/electron acceptor (large positive V)
 - NADH is not a good oxidizing agent (better reducing agent)
- Cytochromes
 - Iron is atom that gets reduced

Table 16-4b Standard Reduction Potentials of Some Biochemically Important Half-reactions

Half-Reaction	E° (V)
$FAD + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons FADH_2$ (in flavoproteins)	-0.040
$Oxaloacetate^- + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons malate$	-0.166
$Pyruvate^- + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightleftharpoons lactate$	-0.185

Acetaldehyde + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ ethanol	-0.197
FAD + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ FADH ₂ (free coenzyme)	-0.219
S + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ H ₂ S	-0.23
Lipoic acid + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ dithiolipoic acid	-0.29
NAD ⁺ + H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ NADH	-0.315
NADP ⁺ + H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ NADPH	-0.320
Cystine + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ 2 cysteine	-0.340
Acetoacetate ⁻ + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ β-hydroxybutyrate	-0.346
H ⁺ + e ⁻ ⇌ ½ H ₂	-0.421
Acetate ⁻ + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ acetaldehyde + H ₂ O	-0.581

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Biochemical Half-Reactions Are Physiologically Important

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Table 16-4a Standard Reduction Potentials of Some Biochemically Important Half-Reactions.

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½ O ₂ + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ H ₂ O ₂	0.68
½ O ₂ + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ O ₂ (aq)	0.42
Cytochrome c (Fe ³⁺) + e ⁻ ⇌ cytochrome c (Fe ²⁺)	0.22
Ubiquinone + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ ubiquinol	0.10
Ubiquinol + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ ubiquinol	0.10
FAD + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ FADH ₂ (free coenzyme)	-0.219
FADH ₂ + 2H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ FADH ₂ (bound)	-0.219
NADH + H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ NAD ⁺	-0.315
NADPH + H ⁺ + 2e ⁻ ⇌ NADP ⁺	-0.320
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$$\Delta E^\circ = E^\circ_{(e^- \text{ acceptor})} - E^\circ_{(e^- \text{ donor})} = 0.815 V + 0.315 V = 1.13 V$$

3) Solve for ΔG°

$$\Delta G^\circ = -nF\Delta E^\circ$$

$$= (-2)(96,485)(1.13)$$

$$= -218 kJ/mol$$

$$F = 96,485 C/mol$$

$$V = J/C$$

$$n = mol e^-$$

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- Electrons pass from lower to higher standard reduction potentials

Electron transport system is more energy efficient than cars on the 405

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- Protein complexes contain redox centers (Redox centers carry e^- through system)
- Overall NADH free energy is broken up amongst three protein complexes, $FADH_2$ is broken up amongst four
- ATP is made via coupled oxidative phosphorylation
- Physiological thermodynamic efficiency = about 70%
 - Automobile engine 30% efficient

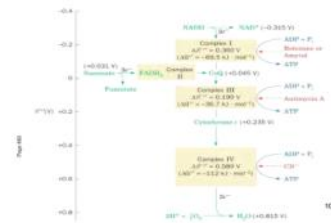
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Figure 22-9
The mitochondrial electron-transport chain.



Phosphorylation and Oxidation are Tightly Coupled

- Oxidation of NADH by O_2 yields 3 ATP (3 ADP are phosphorylated)
- Oxidation of $FADH_2$ by O_2 yields 2 ATP (2 ADP are phosphorylated)
- P/O ratio is used to describe stoichiometry
- P/O indicates that oxidation in mitochondria can only occur if ADP is phosphorylated at the same time

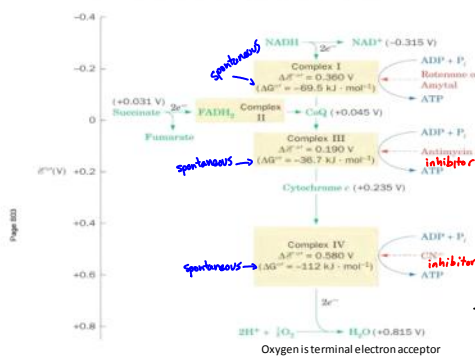
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However, P/O Ratio Values Depend on the Biochemist You Ask

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 ATP/NADH x 10 NADH/glucose 2 ATP/$FADH_2$ x 2 $FADH_2$/glucose 2 ATP/glucose from glycolysis 2 ATP/glucose from TCA cycle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.5 ATP/NADH x 10 NADH/glucose 1.5 ATP/$FADH_2$ x 2 $FADH_2$/glucose 2 ATP/glucose from glycolysis 2 ATP/glucose from TCA cycle
= 38 ATP	= 32 ATP

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Complex 1 Reaction
 $NADH + CoQ(ox) \rightarrow NAD^+ + CoQ(red)$

Complex 1 does not directly make ATP
Rotenone or Amytal are inhibitors of complex 1

Complex 3 Reaction
 $CoQ(red) + 2 \text{ Cytochrome } c(ox) \rightarrow CoQ(ox) + 2 \text{ Cytochrome } c(red)$

Complex 4 Reaction
 $2 \text{ Cytochrome } c(red) + \frac{1}{2} O_2 \rightarrow 2 \text{ Cytochrome } c(ox) + H_2O$

Complex 2 Reaction
 $FADH_2 + CoQ(ox) \rightarrow FAD + CoQ(red)$

Closer Look at the Components of the Electron-Transport Chain

- Inner mitochondrial membrane proteins complexes
- Each complex = several proteins + prosthetic groups
- Laterally mobile
- Don't form higher order structure(s)
- Transfer electrons between each other

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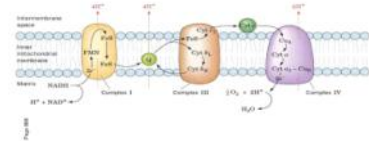
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P/O stands for phosphorylation
3/1 ratio for NADH to ATP



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Figure 22-14
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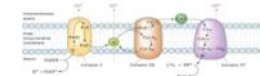
The P/O Ratio Values Depend on the Biochemist You Ask

Will use these values

- 2.5 ATP/NADH
- 1.5 ATP/ $FADH_2$
- 10 NADH/glucose
- 2 $FADH_2$ /glucose
- 2 ATP/glucose from glycolysis
- 2 ATP/glucose from TCA cycle
- 38 ATP
- 32 ATP

$$3 \times 10 + 2 \times 2 + 2 + 2 = 38$$

Complex I



- Passes electrons from NADH to CoQ
- 850 kD
- Flavin mononucleotide (FMN)
- Iron-sulfur clusters
- Iron-sulfur clusters are redox active

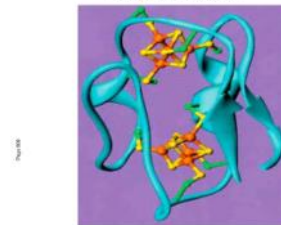
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*Alternative slide title: Closer look at components of ETC

Components of the Electron-Transport Chain

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Figure 22-16 X-Ray structure of ferredoxin from *Peptococcus aerogenes*.



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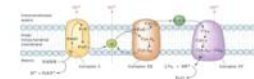
Slide 14: Missing Team members of electron transport chain

- Complex I: NADH-Coenzyme Q Reductase
- Complex II: Succinate-Coenzyme Q Reductase
- Complex III: Coenzyme Q-Cytochrome c Reductase
- Cytochrome c
- Complex IV: Cytochrome c Oxidase

- Slide 16: Complex 1: Slide Missing

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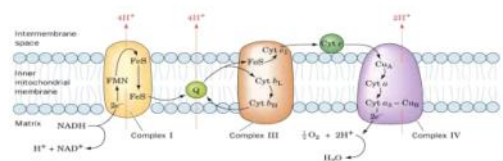
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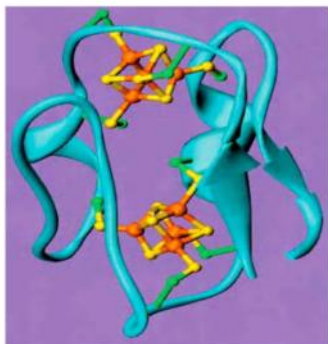
What does each electron-transport chain component look like?

- Complex I (NADH-Coenzyme Q Reductase)
- Complex II (Succinate-Coenzyme Q Reductase)
- Complex III (Coenzyme Q-Cytochrome c Reductase)
- Cytochrome c
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Complex I

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- Why?
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Figure 22-17a

Oxidation states of the coenzymes of complex I. (a) FMN.



Figure 22-17b

Oxidation states of the coenzymes of complex I. (b) CoQ.





Figure 22-22a Porphyrin rings in cytochromes. (a) Chemical structures.

Figure 22-29 Coupling of electron transport (green arrow) and ATP synthesis.

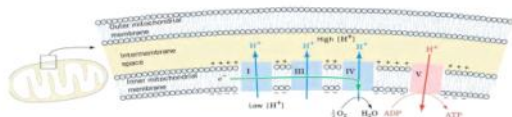


Figure 22-31 The Q cycle.

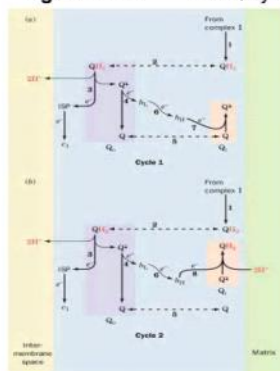


Figure 22-43 Model of the *E. coli* F₁F₀-ATPase.

