Summer term 2016 Nanobiophysics Module

Introduction to Molecular and Cellular Biology

LECTURE 3-4:

Introduction to cell chemistry and biosynthesis II



LECTURE 3-4: INTRODUCTION TO CELL CHEMISTRY AND BIOSYNTHESIS II

- Principles of bioenergetics:
 - metabolism, anabolism, catabolism
 - metabolic reaction types
 - thermodynamics
- ATP hydrolysis



- Carriers in molecular biosythesis: ATP, NAD(P)H, FAD
- > Oxidation-reduction reactions
- Examples of metabolic pathways:
 - photosynthesis
 - glycolysis
 - fermentation

METABOLISM

Metabolism is a highly coordinated cell activity which includes many multienzyme systems cooperating to:

- obtain solar energy or by degrading energy-rich nutrients
- convert nutrient molecules into macromolecules
- polymerize monomeric precursors into macromolecules
- synthesize/degrade biomolecules with specialized cellular function



METABOLISM: GENERAL SCHEME



METABOLISM EXAMPLE: CAROTENOID



ANABOLISM/CATABOLISM

> Anabolism: metabolic pathways constructing macmolecules from small units

Catabolism: metabolic pathways breaking down macromolecules to small units to release energy or to be used in anabolic reactions.



Solving problem of reversibility of catabolic/anabolic reactions:

- Separate regulation
- > High energy barrier of one/several of steps
- Different localization

ANABOLISM/CATABOLISM



CARBON SOURCES

- > Autotrophs: C from atmosphere + sun energy => macromolecules
 - photosynthetic bacteria and plants
- Heterotrophs: cannot do this independently
 - animals and most microorganisms



NITROGEN CYCLING

Very few microorganisms are able to "fix" N from the athmosphere.



REGULATION OF METABOLIC REACTIONS

S (substrate) <=> P (product)

- Substrate concentration level
- Enzyme concentration level
- Compartmentalization of the reaction
- Energy supply
- Growth factors/hormone
- > Allosteric regulation (f.i. phosphorylation)

CLASSES OF CHEMICAL REACTIONS: MAIN MECHANISMS



- Oxidation/reduction
- Formation/breaking C-C bonds
- > Internal rearrangements,
- isomerizations, eliminations
- Group transfer reactions
- Free radical reactions





- electron acceptors/donors
- energy consume/production

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Decarboxylation of a β -keto acid

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Elimination



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 $A \cdot + \cdot B \leq A:B$

THERMODYNAMICS

First Law: for any physical or chemical change, the total amount of energy in the universe remains constant; energy may change form or it may be transported from one region to another, but it cannot be created or destroyed.

Second Law: in all natural processes, the entropy of the universe increases.

$\Delta G = \Delta H - T \Delta S$



THERMODYNAMICS

- > ΔG- Gibbst free energy (T=const, p=const):
 - exergonic reactions, ΔG<0
 - endergonic reactions, ΔG>0
- > H- enthalpy (heat content of the reaction)
 - exothermic reactions, ΔH<0
 - endothermic reactions, ΔH>0
- S- entropy (order measure of the system)

THERMODYNAMICS

- aA + bB <=> cC + dD
- $K_{eq} = [C]^{c}[D]^{d}/[A]^{a}[B]^{b}$
- $\Delta G = -RT \ln K_{eq}$

 ΔG^{0} standard free energy change (pH 7, T=298 K, [H₂O]=55.5 M)

$\Delta G^{\prime 0} = -RT \ln K'_{eq}$	$\Delta {\sf G'}^{\circ}$		
	K'_{eq}	(kJ/mol)	(kcal / mol)
Actual free energy change:	10 ³	-17.1	-4.1
	10 ²	-11.4	-2.7
A + B <=> C + D	10 ¹ 1	-5.7 0.0	$-1.4 \\ 0.0$
ΔG = ΔG' ⁰ + RT In ([C][D]/[A][B])	10^{-1}	5.7	1.4
	10^{-2}	11.4	2.7
	10^{-3}	17.1	4.1
	10^{-4}	22.8	5.5
In equilibrium:	10 ⁻⁵	28.5	6.8
	10 ⁻⁶	34.2	8.2
$0 = \Delta G = \Delta G'^{0} + RT \ln ([C]_{eq}[D]_{eq}/[A]_{eq}[B]_{eq})$		4 4	

1 cal = 4.184 J

CARRIERS IN MOLECULAR BIOSYNTHESIS





> NADH/NADHP (Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide)





 NH_2



ATP: BASIS OF CHEMICAL HYDROLYSIS





- Mg²⁺ impact
- $> \Delta G_{p} = [-50; 65 \text{ kJ/mol}]$ in intact cells

OTHER HYDROLYZED COMPOUNDS



Phosphoenolpyruvate

1,3-Bisphosphoglycerate

Phosphocreatine

THIOESTERS AND ESTERS



Acetyl-CoA

HYDROLYSIS REACTIONS: SUMMARY

The bond strain in reactants due to electrostatic repulsion is relieved by charge separation, as for ATP.

The products are stabilized by ionization, as for ATP, acyl phosphates, and thioesters.

> The products are stabilized by isomerization (tautomerization), as for phosphoenolpyruvate.

> The products are stabilized by resonance, as for creatine released from phosphocreatine, carboxylate ion released from acyl phosphates and thioesters, and P_i released from anhydride or ester linkages.

HYDROLYSIS REACTIONS: COMPARISON

	$\Delta G'^{\circ}$		
	(k J / mol)	(kcal/mol)	
Phosphoenolpyruvate 1,3-bisphosphoglycerate	-61.9	-14.8	
$(\rightarrow$ 3-phosphoglycerate + P _i)	-49.3	-11.8	
Phosphocreatine	-43.0	-10.3	
ADP $(\rightarrow AMP + P_i)$	-32.8	-7.8	
ATP (\rightarrow ADP + P _i)	-30.5	-7.3	
ATP ($\rightarrow AMP + PP_i$)	-45.6	-10.9	
AMP (\rightarrow adenosine + P _i)	-14.2	-3.4	
$PP_i (\rightarrow 2P_i)$	-19.2	-4.0	
Glucose 1-phosphate	-20.9	-5.0	
Fructose 6-phosphate	-15.9	-3.8	
Glucose 6-phosphate	-13.8	-3.3	
Glycerol 1-phosphate	-9.2	-2.2	
Acetyl-CoA	-31.4	-7.5	

Important is to sum up all the reaction components to find out final free energy outcome!

ATP HYDROLYSIS INVOLVES GROUP TRANSFERS



ATP: SEVERAL WAYS OF GROUPS DONATION



Most favourable energetically

ATP HYDROLYSIS DEPENDENT PROCESSES

DNA/RNA synthesis

- > AA activation (adenylation)
- > Active ion transfer (Na⁺/K⁺ ATPase)
- Contraction of muscle fibers





ATP: TRANSPHOSPHORYLATION

> Nucleotide diphosphate kinase (+ Mg²⁺):

ATP + NDP <=> ADP + NTP; $\Delta G^{\circ} \approx 0$

> Adenylate kinase (+ Mg²⁺):

2ADP <=> ATP + AMP; ΔG'⁰ ≈ 0

Creatine kinase (+ Mg²⁺):

ADP + P-Cr <=> ATP + Cr; ΔG'⁰ = -12.5 kJ/mol

Prokaryotic polyphosphate kinase 1/2 (+ Mg²⁺):

ATP/GDP + $polyP_n/P_{n+1} \le ADP/GTP + polyP_{n+1}/P_n$



Nucleotide diphosphate kinase

OXIDATION-REDUCTION REACTIONS

Lost of electrons: oxidation

Gain of electrons: reduction



Electromotive force ~ difference in electron affinity

OXIDATION-REDUCTION REACTIONS AS HALF-REACTIONS: EXAMPLES

- Fe²⁺ + Cu²⁺ <=> Fe³⁺ + Cu⁺
- (1) $Fe^{2+} \ll Fe^{3+} + e^{-}$
- (2) Cu²⁺ + e⁻ <=> Cu⁺

- Fe²⁺ reducing agent, reductant
- Cu²⁺ oxidizing agend, oxidant
- Fe²⁺/Fe³⁺ conjugate redox pair



DEHYDROGENATION



≻ As hydride ion (:H⁻)

Combination with oxygen:

R-CH₃ + 1/2O₂ <=> R-CH₂-OH



1/2 Unit of biological oxidation

CARBON OXIDATION STATES

Methane	H: H: H H	8	Acetaldehyde (aldehyde)	$H: \overset{H}{\underset{H}{\overset{\circ}{\overset{\circ}{\overset{\circ}{\overset{\circ}{\overset{\circ}{\overset{\circ}{\overset{\circ}{\overset$	3
Ethane (alkane)	н н н:С:С:Н н н	7	Acetone (ketone)	н : С : С : С : Н Н : Н : Н : Н : Н : Н : Н : Н : Н :	2
Ethene (alkene)	$H_{H} : C :: C : H_{H}$	6	Formic acid (carboxylic acid)	H: C .0. H	2
Ethanol (alcohol)	н н н:С: <mark>С:О</mark> :Н н н	5	Carbon monoxide	: C : : : 0 :	2
Acetylene (alkyne)	H:C:::C:H	5	Acetic acid (carboxylic acid)	H:C:C H:C:C H	1
Formaldehyde	H C::O H	4	Carbon dioxide	[0:: c ::0]	0

REDUCTION POTENTIAL

Reduction potential E⁰ describes affinitity of the electron.

 $H^+ + e^- \le 1/2H_2$ - reference standard 0.00 V)

 $\Delta G = -nF \Delta E$

E = E⁰ + RT/nF In([electron acceptor]/[electron donor])

F- Faradays's constant 9.649 x 10⁴, (C mol⁻¹); n- number of electrons

examples of redox reactions	redox potential E'_0
NADH \rightleftharpoons NAD ⁺ + H ⁺ + 2 e^{-}	–320 mV
reduced	+30 mV
reduced cytochrome c → oxidized cytochrome c + e ⁻	+230 mV
$H_2O \rightleftharpoons \frac{1}{2}O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^-$	+820 mV

REDUCTION POTENTIAL MEASUREMENTS



REDUCTION POTENTIAL MEASUREMENTS: CONCENTRATION DEPENDENCE


UNIVERSAL ELECTRON CARRIERS

- > Water-soluble co-enzymes:
 - NAD⁺/NADP⁺; NAD/NADH non-covalently bound to enzymes
 - FMN, FAD covalently bound to enzymes
- > Quinones (lipid-soluble)
- Iron-sulfur proteins
- > Cytochromes



NADH/NADPH



 $A + NADPH + H^+ => AH_2 + NADP^+$

> Oxidoreductases/dehydrogenases

NADH/NADPH



Specificity for A/B-sites (up to 7 orders)

NADH/NADPH: EXAMPLES

Alcohol dehydrogenase:

$CH_{3}CH_{2}OH + NAD^{+} => CH_{3}CHO + NADH + H^{+}$

Ethanol

Acetaldehyde

Combination of several

dyhedrogenases (in fermentation):



(1) Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate + $NAD^+ \longrightarrow$ 3-phosphoglycerate + $NADH + H^+$ (2) Acetaldehyde + $NADH + H^+ \longrightarrow$ ethanol + NAD^+

Sum: Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate + acetaldehyde \longrightarrow 3-phosphoglycerate + ethanol

NAD/NADP SOURCES





Nicotine



Niacin (nicotinic acid)



Nicotinamide

FLAVOPROTEINS: FMN, FAD



PHOSPHORYLATION vs. ELECTRON TRANSFER

Coupling of phosphorylation with electron transfer is fundamental for metabolism.



NAD/NADP FAD/FMN

PHOTOSYNTHESIS

Photosynthesis: convertion of light energy into chemical energy.

 $6CO_2 + 6H_2O => C_6H_{12}O_6 + 6O_2$



CHLOROPLASTS



1 μm

CHLOROPLASTS

- Plastid family of organelles
- > Own small genome (circular DNA, 100-200 kb, up to 200 mRNA)
- Two concentric membranes: outer is highly permeable, inner forms stroma
- Proplastides => etioplasts (no light), chloroplasts
- Leucoplasts (f.i. amyloplast): storage function
- Thylakiod membrane



CHLOROPLAST

REACTIONS IN CHLOROPLASTS

- Photosynthetic electron-transfer
- Carbon-fixation reactions



REACTIONS IN CHLOROPLASTS

Photosynthetic electron-transfer

- An electron from chlorophyll (induce by the light) => e-transfer chain
- O_2 is produced, H⁺ is pumped from thylakoid membrane, APT is synthetized
- Electrons are loaded onto NADP⁺ => NADPH
- Carbon-fixation reactions
 - NADPH and ATP supply the energy for $CO_2 =>$ carbohydrate (sucrose)
 - Reactions begins in the stroma and then continues in the cytosole
 - Sucrose is transferred further to other tissues

ABSORBTION OF THE SUNLIGHT BY CHLOROPHYLL

- Photoeffect occurs in chlorophyll
- Chlorophyll is a part of the photosystem
- Photosystem includes antenna complex and a reaction center
- Electron-transfer goes up to special pairs





PRINCIPLE OF CHARGE SEPARATION





LIGHT ENERGY IS USED FOR SYNTHESIS OF ATP AND NADPH



Mn-dependent water splitting enzyme in the photosystem II

CHANGE OF THE ELECTRON REDOX POTENTIAL DURING THE PHOTOSYNTHESIS



direction of electron flow

PHOTOSYSTEM I CAN SYNTHETIZE ONLY ATP



PHOTOSYSTEM STRUCTURES

~ 20 proteins



PHOTOSYSTEM PARTICIPANTS



PHOTOSYSTEM PARTICIPANTS

> Cytochromes

PDB ID: 1HRC

Plastocyanine

PDB ID: 3BQV







CARBON FIXATION USES ATP AND NADPH

ATP and NADPH are in chloroplast stroma, which membrane is not permeable

They are used for carbone fixation by ribulose bisphosphate carboxylase (~50% of total chloroplast proteins)



CARBON FIXATION CYCLE: CALVIN CYCLE



3CO₂ + 9ATP + 6NADPH + H₂O => glyceraldehyde-3P +8P₁ + 9ADP + 6NADP⁺

GLYCERALDEHYDE-3P (G-3P)

- > G-3P can be transported to cytosole.
- G-3P is an intermediate for sucrose synthesis in glycolysis.
- G-3P partially remains in starch in stroma (carbohydrate depot).
- Carbohydrates from the starch are used in the dark phase.





Starch granules

PHOTOSYNTHESIS: SUMMARY

- Light activates electrons in the chlorophyll of photosynthetic bacteria and chloroplasts in plants.
- Electron is transported along the electron chain to the reaction center.
- > One (purple photosynthetic bacteria) or two (cyanobacteria, chloroplasts) photosystems produce NADPH, ATP, O₂.
- > In stroma, NADPH and ATP are used to fix CO₂.
- > The final product glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate can be transported to cytosole.



GLUCOSE

- Glucose is a central metabolite.
- Full oxidation: -2.84 kJ/mol
- Sources: starch, glycogen
- Precursors: aa, nucleotides, coenzymes, fatty acids

Glucose



GLYCOLYSIS

Glycolysis (glykys = sweet, lysis= splitting) is a methabolic pathway, where glucose is converted into pyruvate and energy in form of ATP and NADH.

- Very imporant source of energy for many cells.
- > Highly conservative: mechanisms, enzyme sequences and structures.
- > The best model for many biochemical pathways.
- > 10 steps: glucose => pyruvate.

> 2 phases:

- preparatory phase: ATP energy is invested => glyceraldehyde-3P
- pay-off phase: ATP, NADH, pyruvate are produced
- > Three types of reactions:
 - degradation of glucose
 - ADP => ATP
 - NAD⁺ => NADH

GLYCOLYSIS: PREPARATORY PHASE



Harden and Young experiment (1906): serum + yeast extract => phosphate role in glycolysis

GLYCOLYSIS: PAY-OFF PHASE



WHAT HAPPENS WITH PYRUVATE



GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 1: GLUCOSE PHOSPHORYLATION



 $\Delta G^{\prime \circ} = -16.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$

- Hexokinase: transferase for hexasaccharides, which transfers phosphates.
- Cofactors: Mg²⁺
- Conformational changes by binding glucose
- Hexokinases are tissue-specific
- Exergonic reaction



GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 2: CONVERSION OF GLUCOSE-6P TO FRUCTOSE-6P



 $\Delta G'^{\circ} = 1.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$

Phosphohexose isomerase

Exergonic reaction

ISOMERASE MECHANISM



GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 3: PHOSPHORYLATION OF FRUCTOSE-6P TO FRUCTOSE-1,6P



 $\Delta G'^{\circ} = -14.2 \text{ kJ/mol}$

Phosphofructokinase-1

PP_i can be used instead of ATP in some plans/bacteria/protists

Regulated: activated by ATP depletion or by ADT/P, excess; product

Exergonic reaction

GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 4: CLEAVGE OF FRUCTOSE-1,6P



 $\Delta G'^{\circ} = 23.8 \text{ kJ/mol}$

> Aldolase

Endergenic reaction (could be reversible though at different concentrations)

ALDOLASE MECHANISM



GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 5: INTERCONVERSION OF TRIOSE PHOSPHATES



triose phosphate isomerase
GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 6: OXIDATION OF GLYCERALDEHYDE 3-P TO 1,3-BIPHOSPHOGLYCERATE



 $\Delta G'^{\circ} = 6.3 \text{ kJ/mol}$

- Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate dehydrogenase
- NAD⁺-limited => process stops when [NAD⁺] drops
- Endergonic reaction

GLYCERALDEHYDE 3-PHOSPHATE DEHYDROGENASE MECHANISM



GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 7: PHOSPHORYL TRANSFER FROM 1,3-BIPHOSPHOGLYCERATE TO ADP



- Phosphoglycerate kinase
- Coupled with the step 6: substrate-level phosphorylation
- Exergonic reaction

GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 8: CONVERSION OF 3-PHOSPHOGLYCERATE TO 2-PHOSPHOGLYCERATE



GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 9: DEHYDRATION OF 2-PHOSPHOGLYCERATE TO PHOSPHOENOLPYRUVATE



 $\Delta G'^{\circ} = 7.5 \text{ kJ/mol}$

Enolase

- Cofactors: Mg²⁺
- Endergonic reaction

ENOLASE MECHANISM



2-Phosphoglycerate bound to enzyme

Enolic intermediate

Phosphoenolpyruvate



GLYCOLYSIS. STEP 10: TRANSFER OF THE PHOSPHORYL GROUP FROM PHOSPHOENOLPYRUVATE TO ADP



 $\Delta G'^{\circ} = -31.4 \text{ kJ/mol}$

GLYCOLYSIS: REACTION BALANCE

> Overal balance:

Glucose + 2NAD⁺ + 2ADP + 2P_i => 2pyruvate + NADH + 2H⁺ + 2ATP +2H₀O

Glucose convertion:

Glucose + 2NAD⁺ => 2pyruvate + NADH + 2H⁺; ΔG⁻⁰ = -146 kJ/mol

NADH + 2H⁺ + O₂ => NAD⁺ + 2H₂O (=> respirational phosphorylation)

> ATP formation:

2ADP + 2P_i => 2ATP + 2H₂O ; ΔG¹⁰ = 61.0 kJ/mol

≻ Total ∆G'⁰ = -85 kJ/mol

Role of phosphorylated intermediates:

- Signal to remain in the cell independently of the concentrations
- Donors of P_i to ADP => ATP
- Allosteric regulation of enzymes

GLYCOLYSIS REGULATION

- > Aerobic/anaeronic condictions (~ 1 order more effective in anaerobic)
- > ATP consumption (ATP/ADP balance)
- > NADH regeneration (NAD⁺/NADH balance)
- Allosteric regulation of the enzymes (hexokinase, PFK-1, pyruvate kinase)
- Feedback from the metabolites
- Hormones: glucagon, epinephrine, insulin
- Expression level of all the enzymes



GLYCOLYSIS: ENERGY DIAGRAM



GLYCOLYSIS: FEEDER PATHWAYS

Glucose can be obtained from different sources to enter glycolysis:

- Glycogen and starch:
 - phosphorylation
 - debranching
 - mutase catalyzed reaction (Glu-1P => Glu-6P)
 - isomerization
- Deitary polysaccharides
 - hydrolyzation (α-amylase)
 - hydrolyzation of dimers

 $\text{Dextrin} + n\text{H}_2\text{O} \xrightarrow[\text{dextrinase}]{} n \text{ D-glucose}$

 $Maltose + H_2O \xrightarrow[]{maltase} 2 \text{ D-glucose}$

 $Lactose + H_2O \xrightarrow[lactase]{} D-galactose + D-glucose$

 $Sucrose + H_2O \xrightarrow[]{sucrase} D-fructose + D-glucose$

 $Trehalose + H_2O \xrightarrow[trehalase]{} 2 \text{ D-glucose}$

GLYCOLYSIS: FEEDER PATHWAYS



GLYCOLISIS: SUMMARY

Universal pathway for degrading glucose to two pyruvates with the production of energy in form of ATP and NADH.

- > All the enzymes are cytoplasmic.
- > All the intermediates have either hexa- or tricarbonic chains.
- > Two phases: preparatory and pay-off.



FERMENTATION

Arthur Harden (1865-1940):

"The problem of alcoholic fermentation, of the origin and nature of that mysterious and apparently spontaneous change, which converted the insipid juice of the grape into stimulating wine, seems to have exerted a fascination over the minds of natural philosophers from the very earliest times."





FERMENTATION

Fermentation: anaerobic degradation of pyruvate to ethanol or lactate.

In this process, the energy is extracted but O₂ is not consumed and

NAD+/NADH balance is not changed.



Lactate dehydrogenase

- > Muscles
- \succ Conditions: not enough O₂ and NAD+
- Exergonic reaction

FERMENTATION



THIAMINE PYROPHOSPHATE (TPP)



PRODUCTS OF FERMENTATION



BREWING BEER

Carbohydrates (barley)

Germination (enzymes)
+ water; - cell rests

Oligosaccharides (malt)









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