

METABOLIC PATHWAYS

```
graph TD; A[METABOLIC PATHWAYS] --> B[CATABOLIC PATHWAYS]; A --> C[ANABOLIC PATHWAYS]; B --> D["Are involved in oxidative breakdown of larger complexes. They are usually exergonic in nature"]; C --> E["Are involved in the synthesis of compounds. They are usually endergonic in nature."];
```

CATABOLIC PATHWAYS

Are involved in oxidative breakdown of larger complexes.

They are usually **exergonic** in nature

ANABOLIC PATHWAYS

Are involved in the synthesis of compounds.

They are usually **endergonic** in nature.

CHARACTERISTICS OF METABOLISM

1. Metabolic pathways are mostly irreversible
2. Every metabolic pathway has a committed first step.
3. All metabolic pathways are regulated.
4. Metabolic pathways in eukaryotic cells occur in specific cellular locations.

GLYCOLYSIS

GLYCOLYSIS

GLYCOLYSIS

Glycolysis comes from a merger of two Greek words:

- **Glykys = sweet**
- **Lysis = breakdown/ splitting**

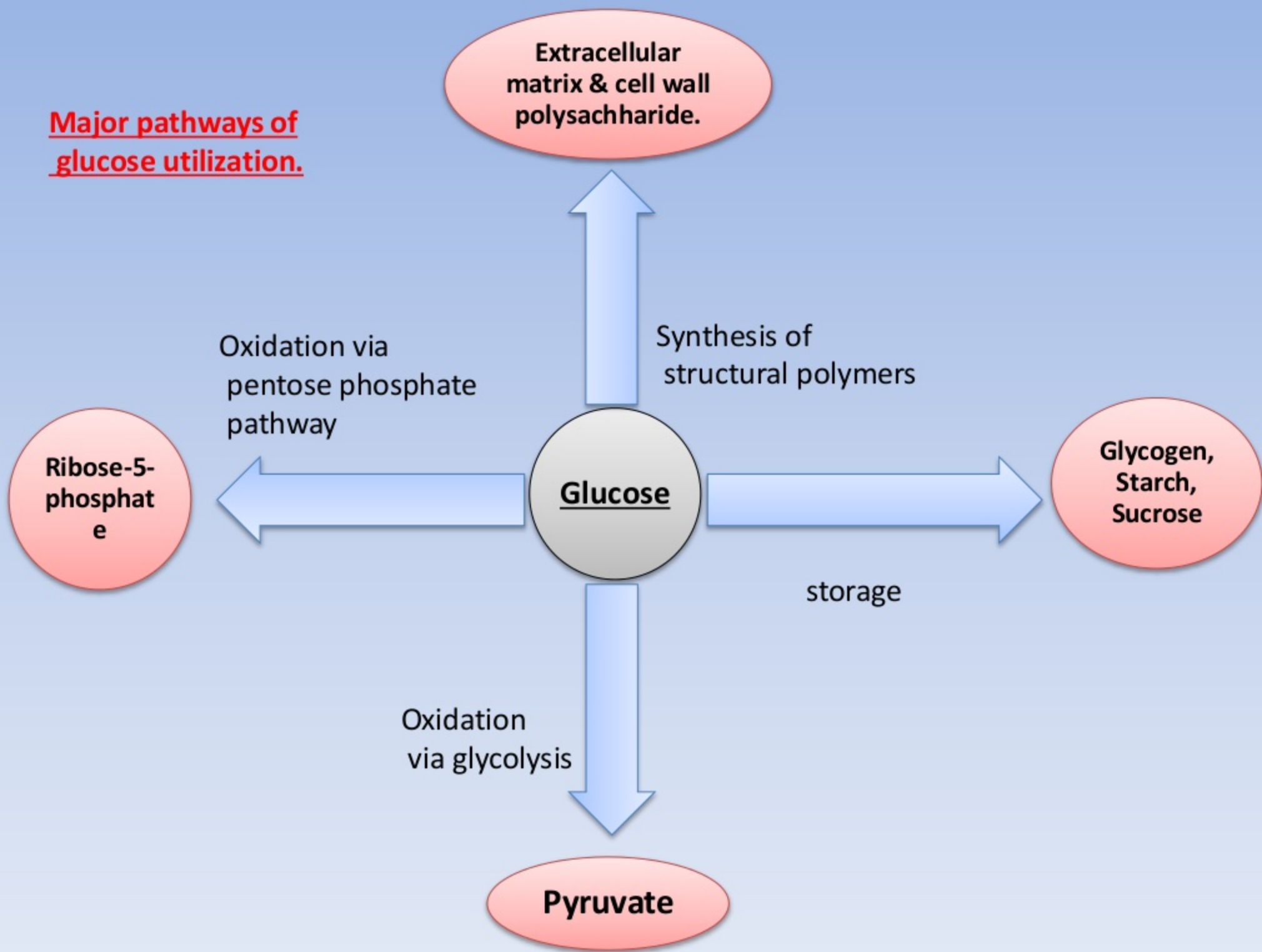
It is also known as Embden-Meyerhof-Parnas pathway or EMP pathway.

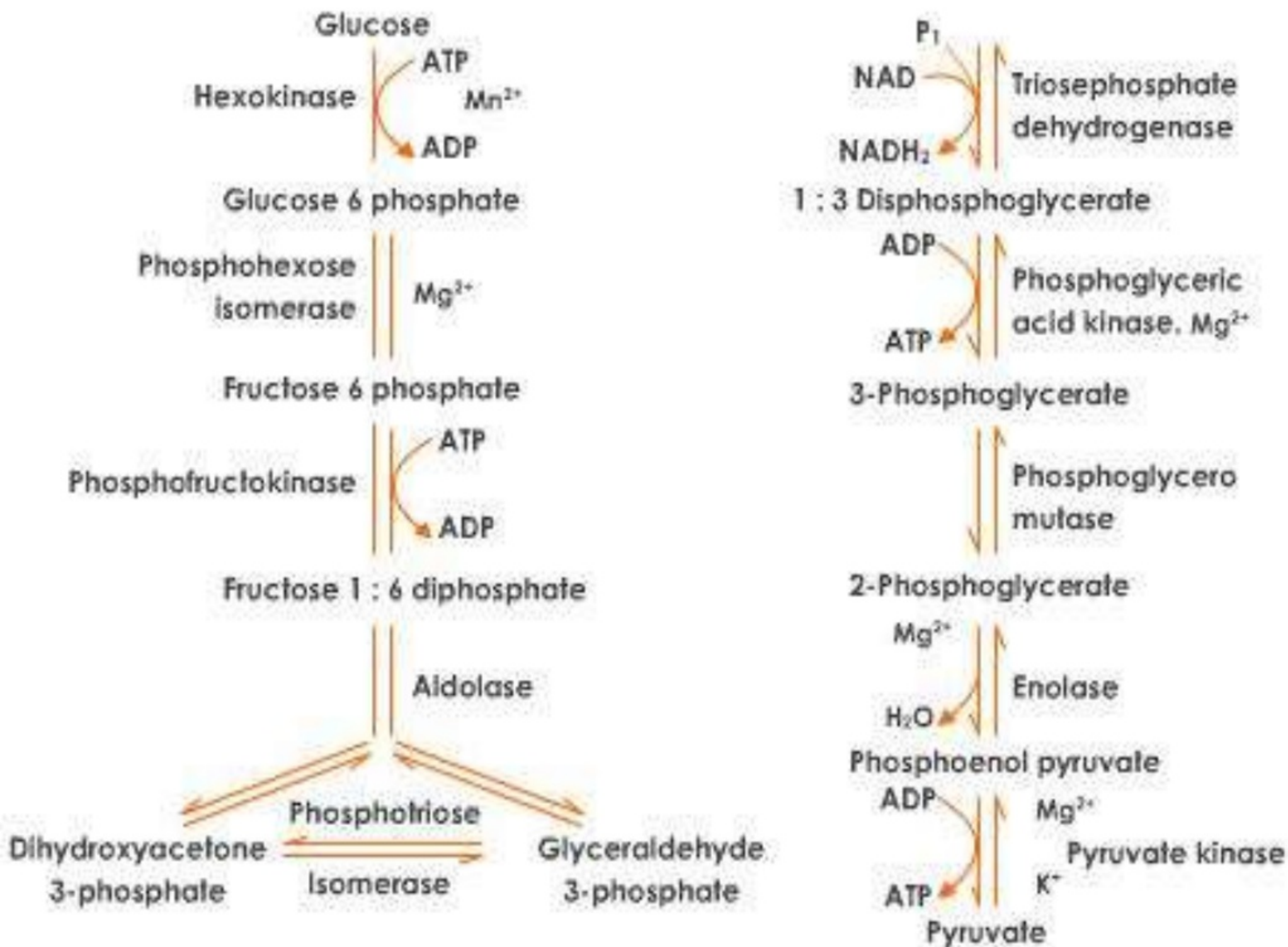
INTRODUCTION

- GLYCOLYSIS is the sequence of 10 enzyme-catalyzed reactions that converts glucose into pyruvate with simultaneous production on of ATP.
- In this oxidative process, 1mol of glucose is partially oxidised to 2 moles of pyruvate.
- This major pathway of glucose metabolism occurs in the cytosol of all cell.
- This unique pathway occurs **aerobically** as well as **anaerobically & doesn't involve molecular oxygen.**

- It also includes formation of Lactate from Pyruvate.
- The glycolytic sequence of reactions differ from species to species only in the mechanism of its regulation & in the subsequent metabolic fate of the pyruvate formed.
- In aerobic organisms, glycolysis is the prelude to Citric acid cycle and ETC.
- Glycolysis is the central pathway for Glucose catabolism.

Major pathways of
glucose utilization.





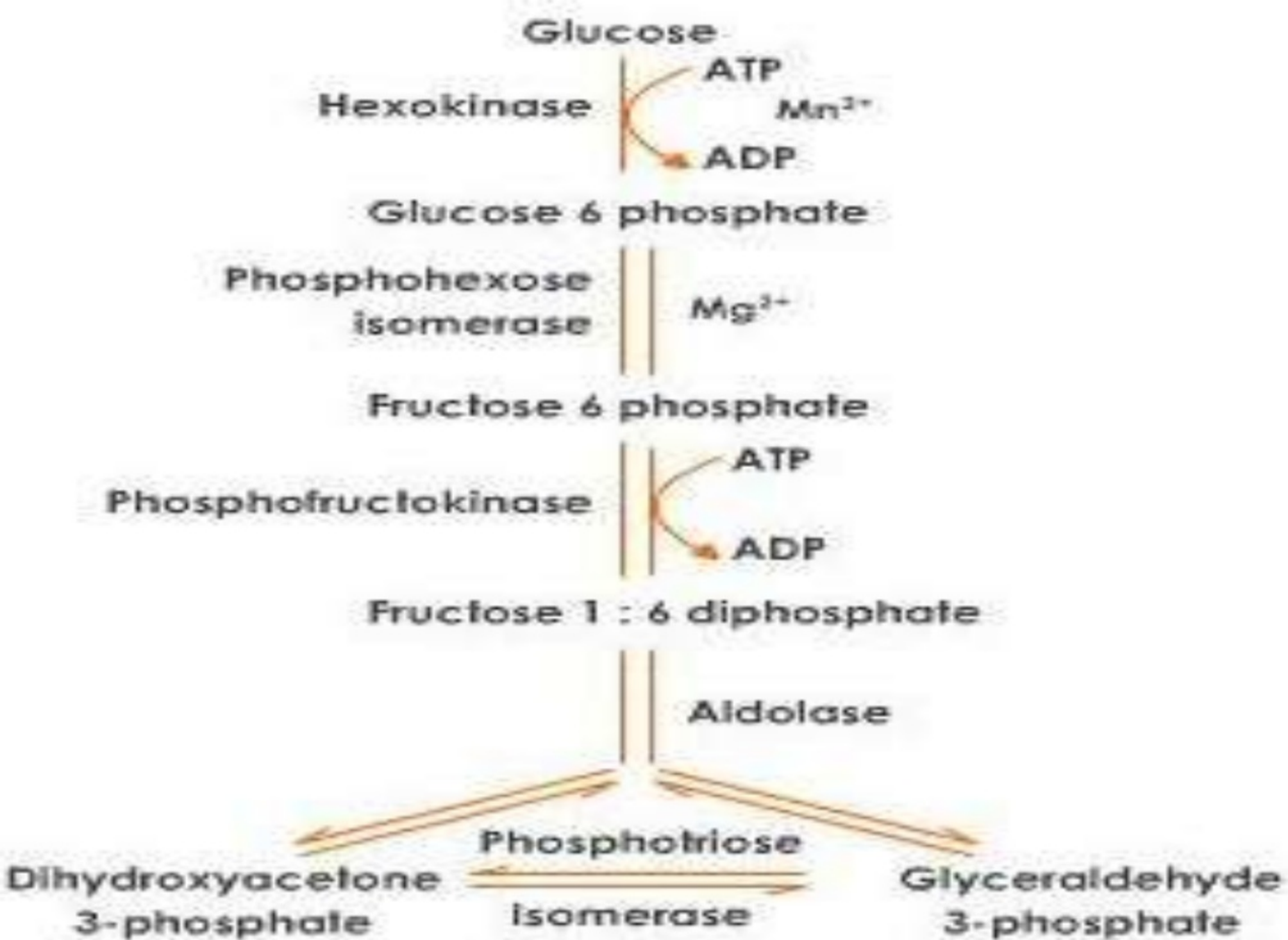
TWO PHASES OF GLYCOLYSIS

- Glycolysis leads to breakdown of 6-C glucose into two molecules of 3-C pyruvate with the enzyme catalyzed reactions being bifurcated or categorized into 2 phases:
 1. **Phase 1- preparatory phase**
 2. **Phase 2- payoff phase.**

PREPARATORY PHASE

- It consists of the 1st 5 steps of glycolysis in which the glucose is enzymatically phosphorylated by ATP to yield Fructose-1,6-biphosphate.
- This fructose-1,6-biphosphate is then split in half to yield 2 molecules of 3-carbon containing Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate/ dihydroxyacetone phosphate.

- Thus the first phase **results in cleavage of the hexose chain.**
- This cleavage requires an investment of 2 ATP molecules to activate the glucose mole and prepare it for its cleavage into 3-carbon compound.



PAYOFF PHASE

- This phase constitutes the last 5 reactions of Glycolysis.
- This phase marks the release of ATP molecules during conversion of Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphatae to 2 moles of Pyruvate.
- Here 4 moles of ADP are phosphorylated to ATP. Although 4 moles of ATP are formed, the net result is only 2 moles of ATP per mole of Glucose oxidized, since 2 moles of ATP are utilized in Phase 1.



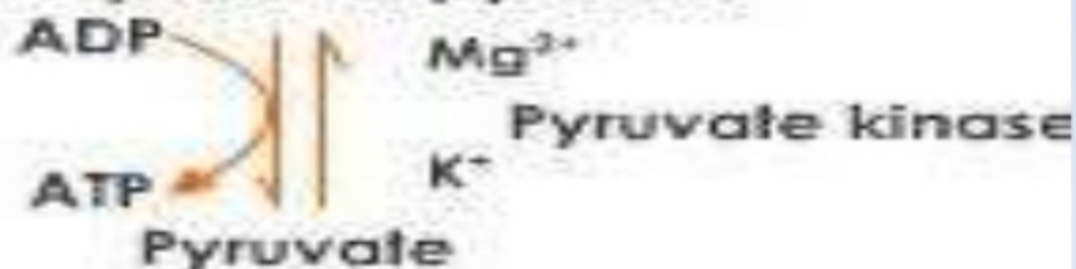
1 : 3 Disphosphoglycerate



3-Phosphoglycerate



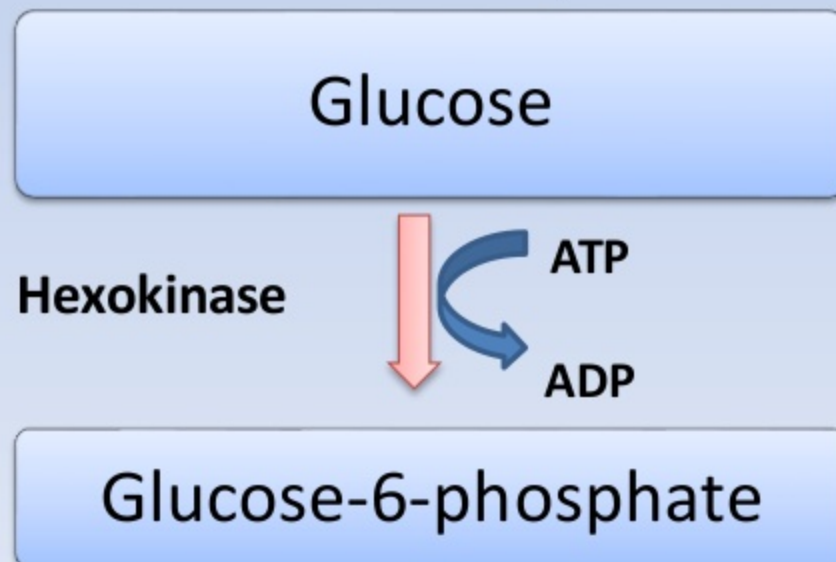
2-Phosphoglycerate



STEPWISE EXPLANATION OF **GLYCOLYSIS**

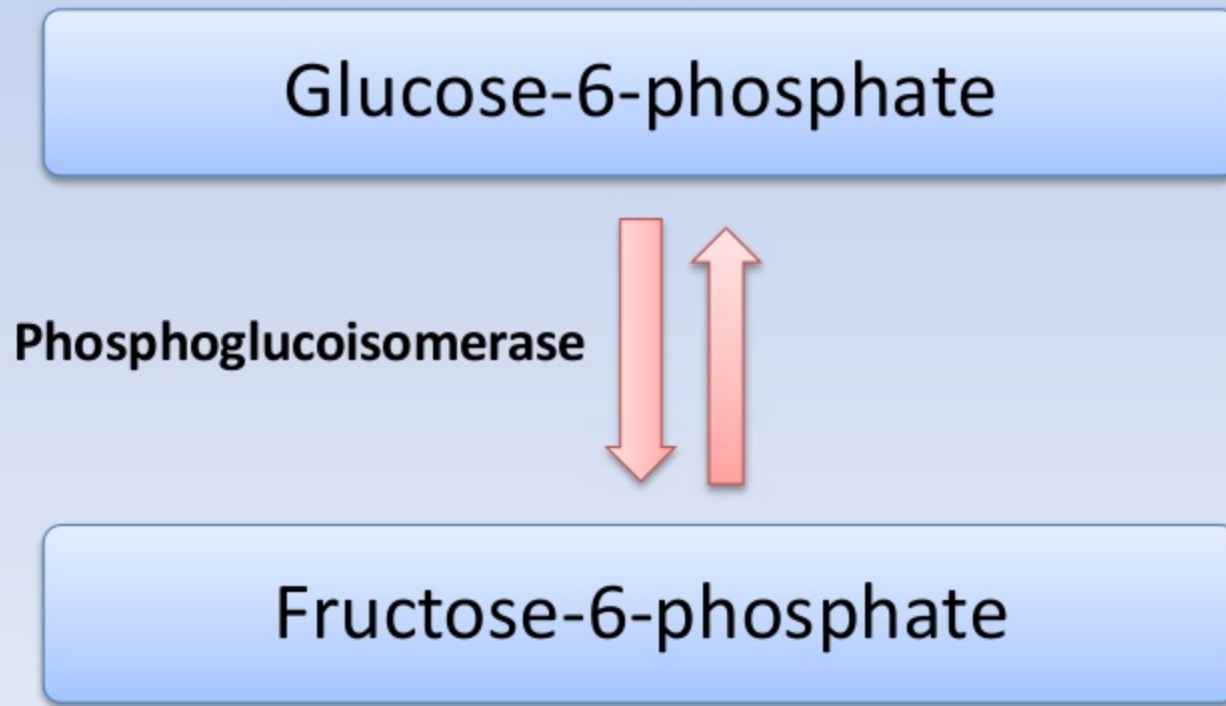
STEP 1: PHOSPHORYLATION

- Glucose is phosphorylated by ATP to form sugar phosphate.
- This is an irreversible reaction & is catalyzed by ***hexokinase***.
- Thus the reaction can be represented as follows:



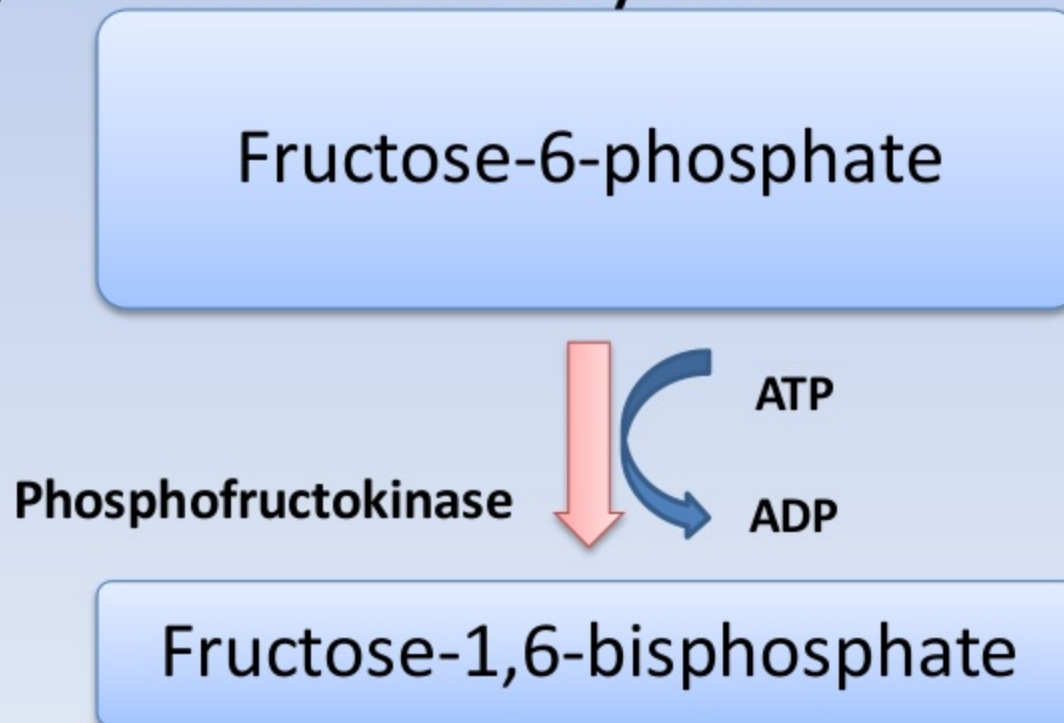
STEP 2: ISOMERIZATION

- It is a reversible rearrangement of chemical structure of carbonyl oxygen from C1 to C2, forming a Ketose from the Aldose.
- Thus, isomerization of the aldose Glucose-6-phosphate gives the ketose, Fructose-6-phosphate.



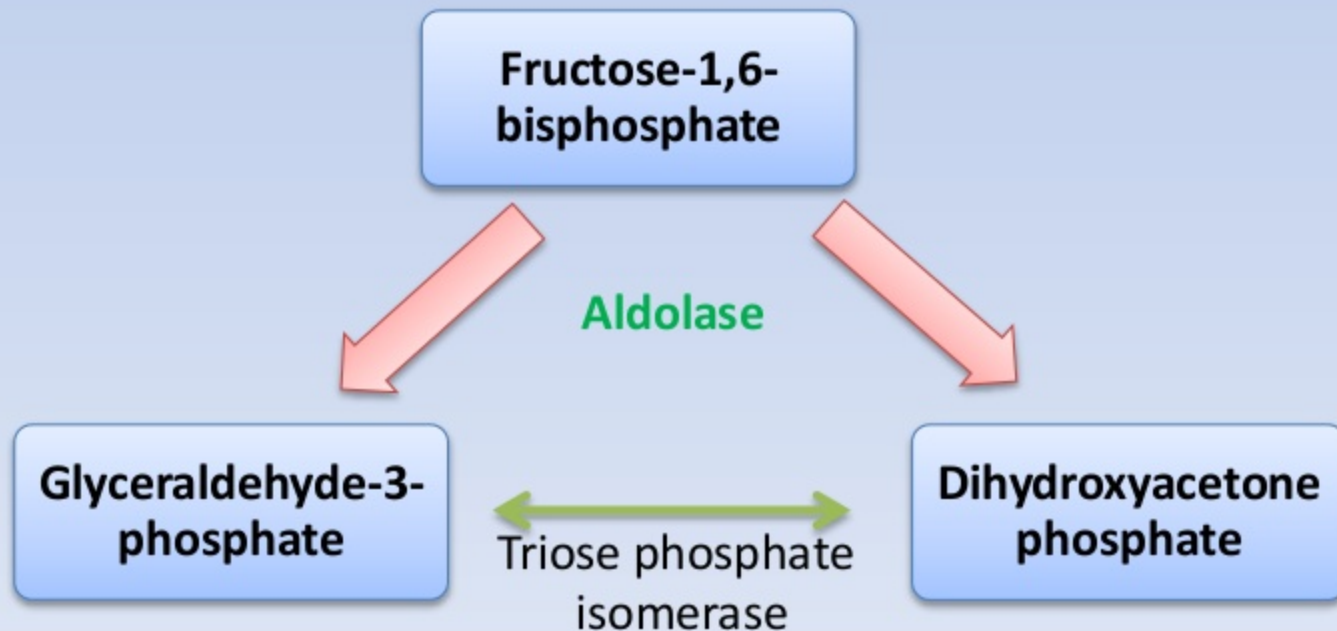
STEP 3: PHOPHORYLATION

- Here the ***Fructose-6-phosphate*** is phosphorylated by ATP to ***fructose-1,6-bisphosphate***.
- This is an ***irreversible reaction*** and is catalyzed by ***phosphofructokinase*** enzyme.



STEP 4: BREAKDOWN

- This six carbon sugar is cleaved to produce two 3-C molecules: ***glyceradldehyde-3-phosphate (GAP)*** & ***dihydroxyacetone phosphate(DHAP)***.
- This reaction is catalyzed by ***Aldolase***.



STEP 5: ISOMERIZATION

- Dihydroxyacetone phosphate is oxidized to form Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate.
- This reaction is catalyzed by ***triose phosphate isomerase*** enzyme.

2

Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate

Triose phosphate
isomerase



2

Dihydroxyacetone phosphate

STEP 6

- 2 molecules of Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate are oxidized.
- ***Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate dehydrogenase*** catalyzes the conversion of Glyceraldehyde3-phosphate into ***1,3-bisphosphoglycerate***.

Aldehyde



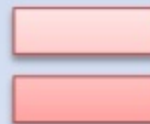
Carboxylic acid

Carboxylic
acid



Joining)

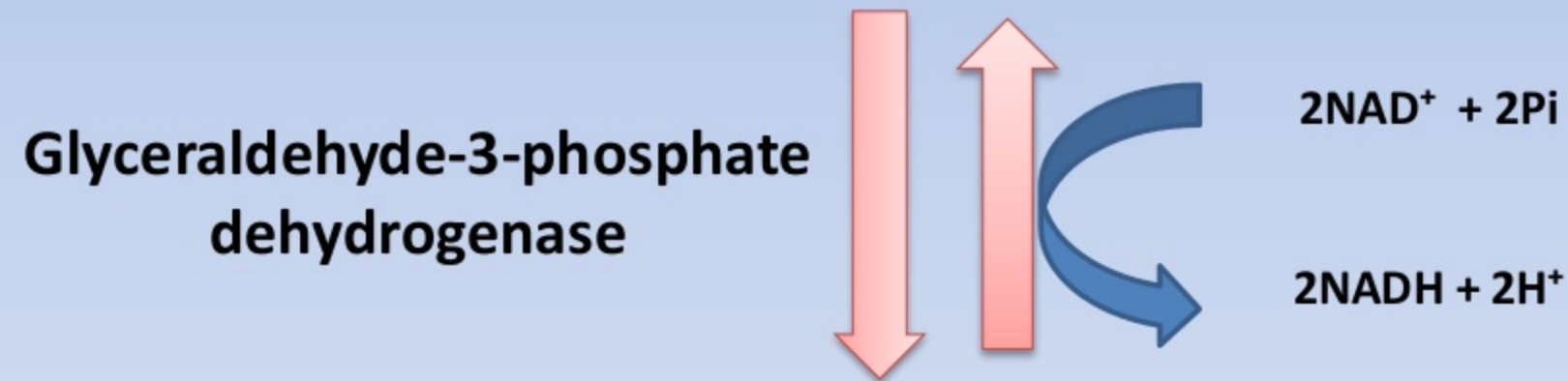
Ortho-
phosphate



Acyl-
phosphate
product

Resultant reaction

2 **Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate**



2 **1,3-bisphosphoglycerate**

STEP 7

- The transfer of high-energy phosphate group that was generated earlier to ADP, form ATP.
- This phosphorylation i.e. addition of phosphate to ADP to give ATP is termed as ***substrate level phosphorylation*** as the phosphate donor is the substrate ***1,3-bisphosphoglycerate (1,3-BPG)***.
- The product of this reaction is 2 molecules of ***3-phosphoglycerate***.

2

1,3-bisphosphoglycerate

Phosphoglycerate
kinase

FIRST SUBSTRATE LEVEL
PHOSPHORYLATION



2 ADP

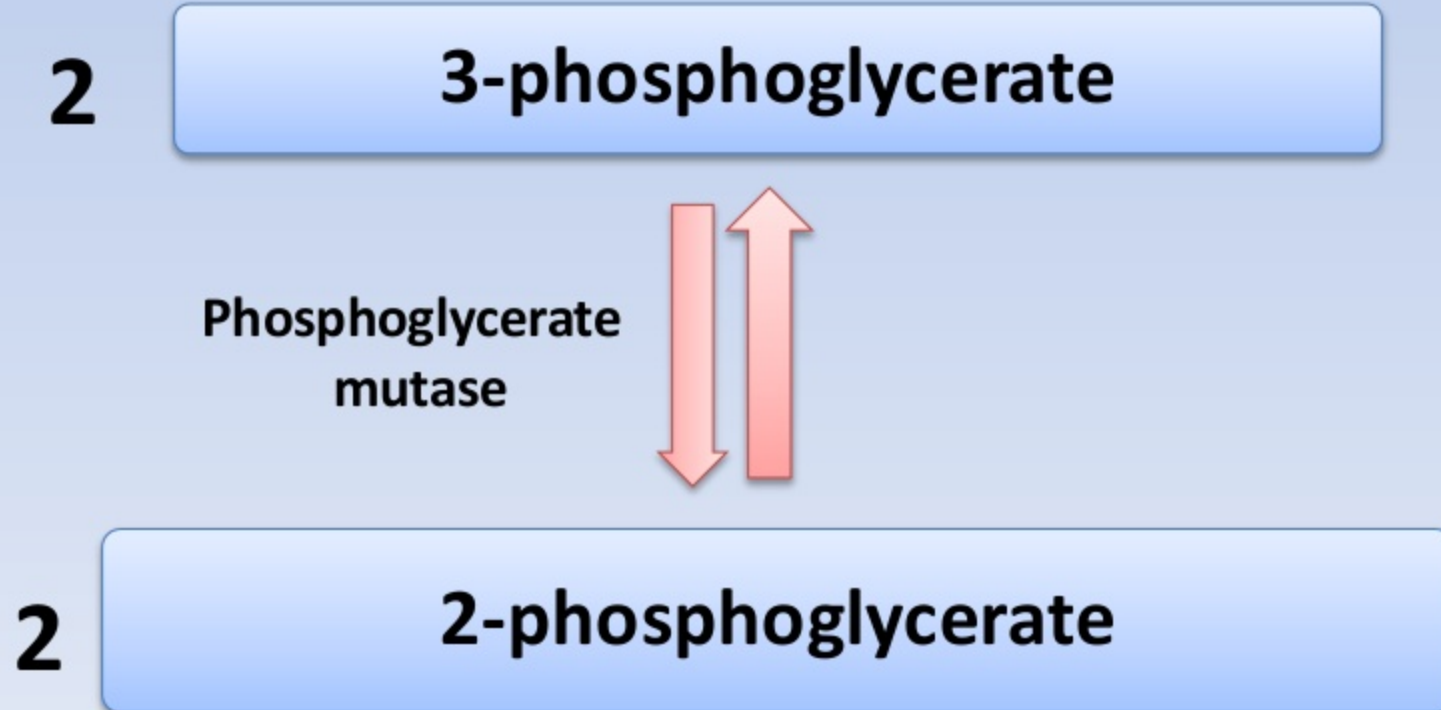
2 ATP

2

3-phosphoglycerate

STEP 8

- The remaining phosphate-ester linkage in 3-phosphoglycerate, is moved from carbon 3 to carbon 2, because of relatively low free energy of hydrolysis, to form ***2-phosphoglycerate(2-PG)***.



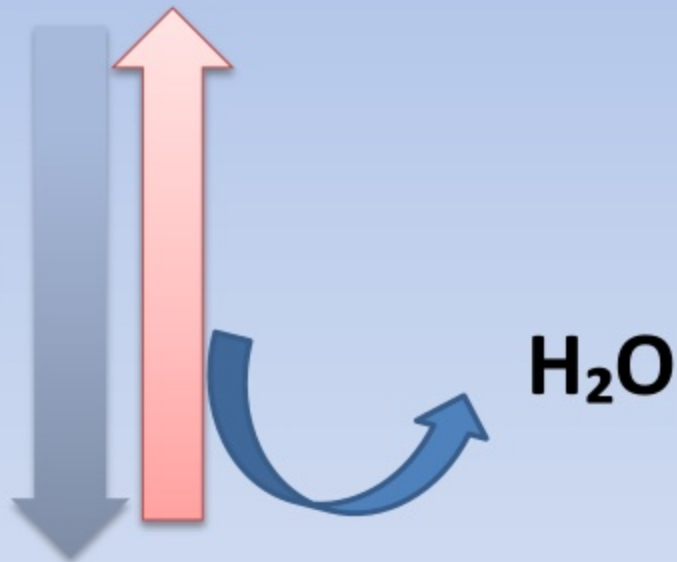
STEP 9: DEHYDRATION OF 2-PG

- This is the second reaction in glycolysis where a high-energy phosphate compound is formed.
- The 2-phosphoglycerate is dehydrated by the action of ***enolase*** to ***phosphoenolpyruvate(PEP)***. This compound is the phosphate ester of the enol tautomer of pyruvate.
- This is a reversible reaction.

2

2-phosphoglycerate

Enolase



2

Phosphoenol pyruvate

STEP 10: TRANSFER OF PHOSPHATE FROM PEP to ADP

- This last step is the irreversible transfer of high energy phosphoryl group from phosphoenolpyruvate to ADP.
- This reaction is catalyzed by ***pyruvate kinase***.
- This is the ***2nd substrate level phosphorylation*** reaction in glycolysis which yields ATP.
- This is a non-oxidative phosphorylation reaction.

2

Phosphoenolpyruvate

Pyruvate kinase

SECOND
SUBSTRATE LEVEL
PHOSPHORYLATION



2ADP

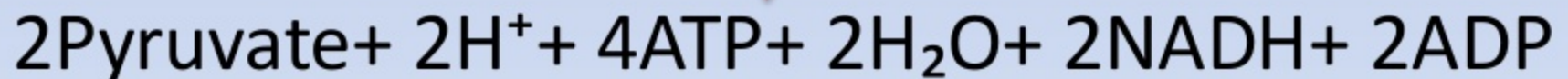
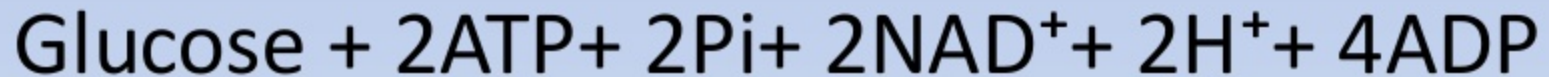
2ATP

2

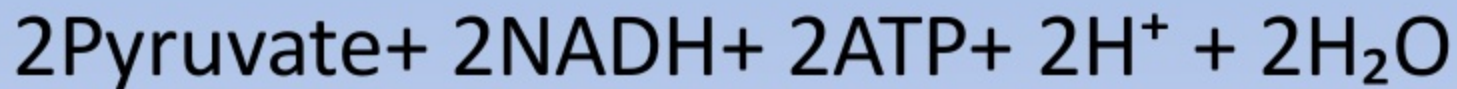
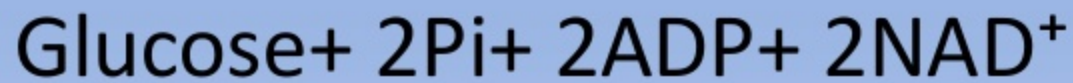
Pyruvate

OVERALL BALANCE SHEET OF GLYCOLYSIS

- Each molecule of glucose gives 2 molecules of Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate. Therefore, the total input of all 10 reactions can be summarized as:



On cancelling the common terms from the above equation, we get the net equation for Glycolysis:



THUS THE SIMULTANEOUS REACTIONS INVOLVED IN GLYCOLYSIS ARE:

- *Glucose is oxidized to Pyruvate*
- *NAD⁺ is reduced to NADH*
- *ADP is phosphorylated to ATP*

• ENERGY YIELD IN GLYCOLYSIS:

STEP NO.	REACTION	CONSUMPTION of ATP	GAIN of ATP
1	Glucose \longrightarrow glucose-6-phosphate	1	-
3	Fructose-6-phosphate \longrightarrow fructose-1,6-biphosphate	1	-
7	1,3-diphosphoglycerate \longrightarrow 3-phosphoglycerate	-	1x2=2
10	Phosphoenolpyruvate \longrightarrow pyruvate	-	1x2=2
		2	4
		Net gain of ATP=4-2= 2	

-- REGULATION OF GLYCOLYSIS --

Three irreversible kinase reactions primarily drive glycolysis forward.

- ◆ hexokinase or glucokinase
- ◆ phosphofructokinase
- ◆ pyruvate kinase

Three of these enzymes regulate glycolysis as well.

2. HEXOKINASE

Phosphorylation of glucose.

◆ Inhibited by its product, glucose 6-phosphate, as a response to slowing of glycolysis

Not GLUCOKINASE – as discussed

2. PHOSPHOFRUCTOKINASE

- ◆ major regulatory enzyme, rate limiting for glycolysis
- ◆ an allosteric regulatory enzyme.
- ◆ measures adequacy of energy levels.

Inhibitors: ATP by decreasing fructose 6-phosphate binding and **citrate**

both indicate **high energy** availability

◆ **Activators:** ADP, AMP, **low energy**

AMP and ADP reverse ATP inhibition

And another activator

Fructose 2,6 bisphosphate is a very important regulator, controlling the relative flux of carbon through glycolysis versus gluconeogenesis.
- It also couples these pathways to hormonal regulation.

3. PYRUVATE KINASE $\text{PEP} + \text{ADP} \rightarrow$
pyruvate + ATP

- ◆ An allosteric tetramer
- ◆ **inhibitor:** ATP
- ◆ **inhibitors:** acetyl CoA and fatty acids (alternative fuels for TCA cycle)
- ◆ **activator:** fructose 1,6-bisphosphate (“feed-forward”)

◆ **Phosphorylation** (inactive form) and **dephosphorylation** (active form) under **hormone control**.

◆ Also highly regulated at the level of **gene expression** (“carbohydrate loading”)

**By Dr. Shivi Bhasin,
Lecturer ,
S.S in biotech. &
Zoology ,
Vikram university
Ujjain m.p
For Bsc. Hons.
Biotech. 4 sem**