Metabolic Interrelationships

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Key Concepts

- Metabolic pathway are controlled in different nutritional and disease states to maintain sources of energy and amino acids in the blood for all tissues.
- Pathways that remove excess fuels from the blood (glycogenesis, glycolysis, fatty acid synthesis and lipogenesis) are active in the fed state.
- Pathways that maintain adequate levels of fuel in the blood (glycogenolysis, gluconeogenesis, lipolysis, proteolysis, and ketogenesis) are active in the starved state.

- Pathways are controlled by substrate availability, allosteric effectors, covalent modification, and induction or repression of key enzymes.
- The changes in metabolism that accompany common disease state are variations on the themes that function in the fed and fasted states

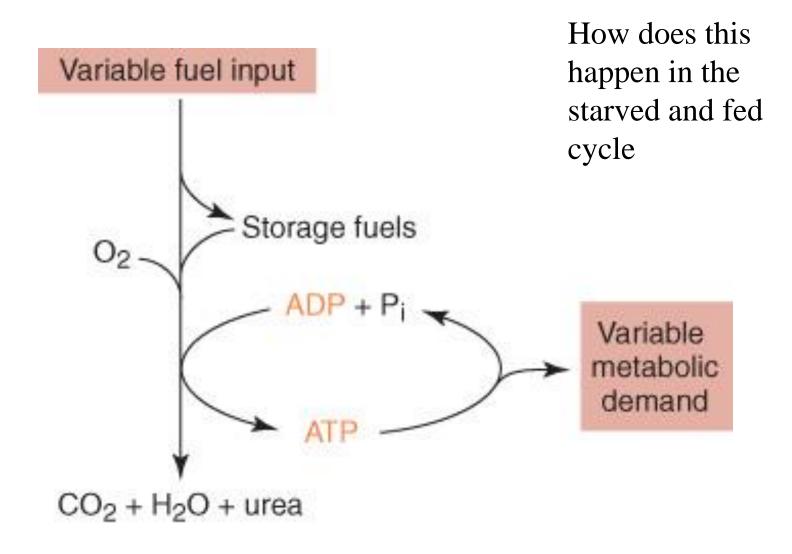


Figure 21.1 Humans can use a variable fuel input to meet a variable metabolic demand.

Metabolic Processes

- Glycogenolysis
- Gluconeogenesis
- Fatty Acid Synthesis
- Lipogenesis
- TCA Cycle Activity
- Amino Acid Oxidation
- Proteolysis

- Glycogenesis
- Glycolysis
- Lipolysis
- Glutaminolysis
- Ketogenesis
- Protein Synthesis
- Urea Synthesis

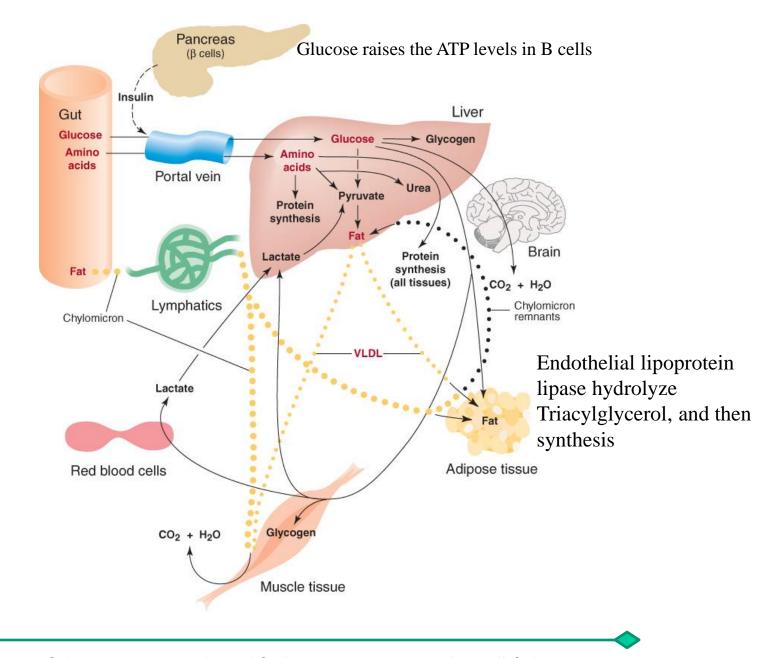


Figure 21.2 Disposition of glucose, amino acids, and fat by various tissues in the well-fed state.

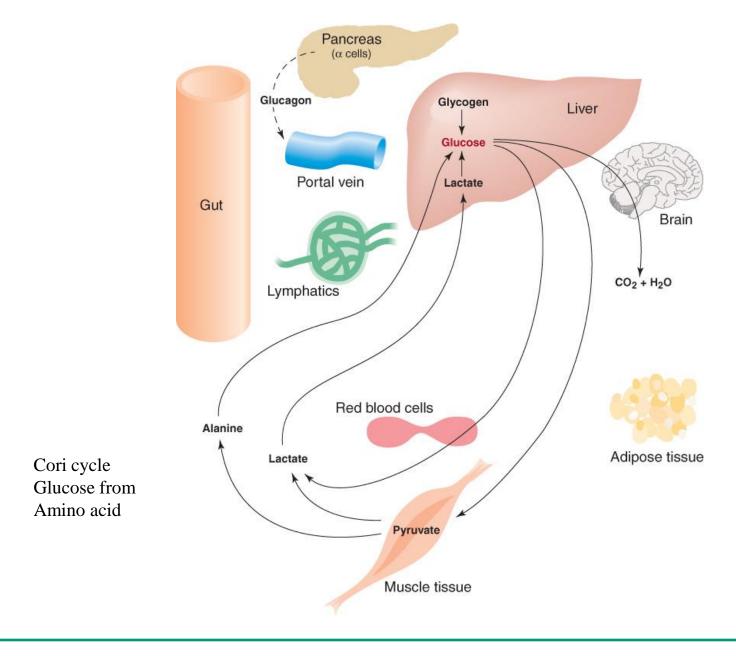


Figure 21.3 Metabolic interrelationships of major tissues in early fasting state.

Fatty acids** can not be used for the synthesis of Glucose.

Alanine and Glutamine released in large quantities others go to intermediate (puruvate, aKetoglutarate) which also can yield Glutamine and Alanine. Enterocytes use Glutamine to form pyrimidine and purine. aKetoglutarate to malate to pyruvate by malic enzyme and then to alanine. Ketone bodies can reduce alanine release and proteolysis and branched AA oxidation decreasing muscle wasting.

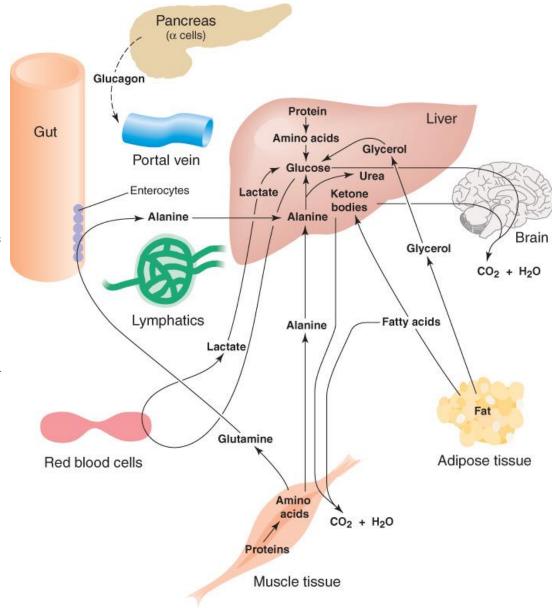


Figure 21.4 Metabolic interrelationships of major tissues in fasting state.

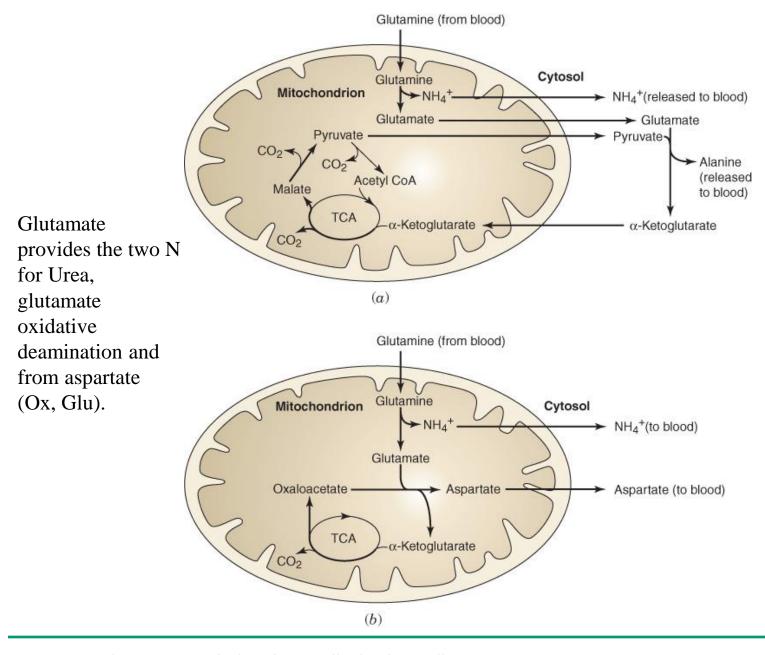


Figure 21.5 Glutamine catabolism by rapidly dividing cells.

Intestinal epithelium converts glutamine to citrulline, the only tissue that express an ATP dependent glutamate reductase that converts Glu to the Glu semialdehyde that forms Ornithine. This rx is irreversible in liver.

This pathway can be used to regulate arg and protein degradation under restricted protein intake.

The most important use of SAM in the body (production of Creatine)

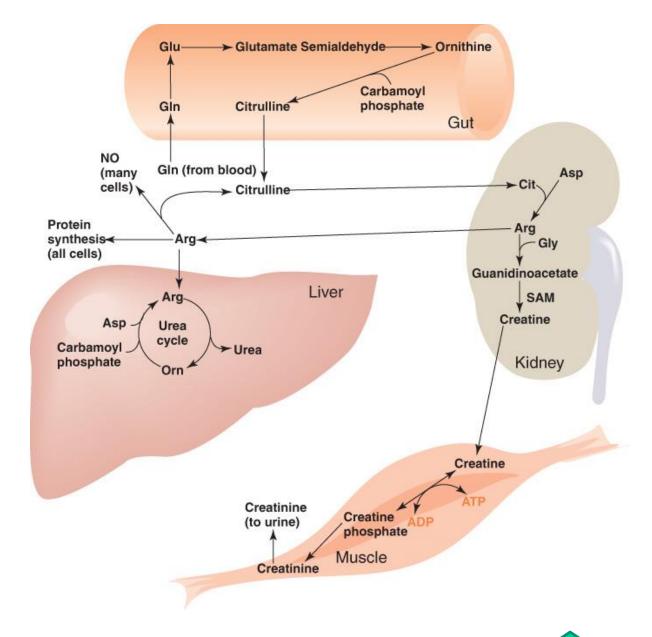


Figure 21.6 Gut and kidney function together in synthesis of arginine from glutamine.

This controls urea cycle in the liver.

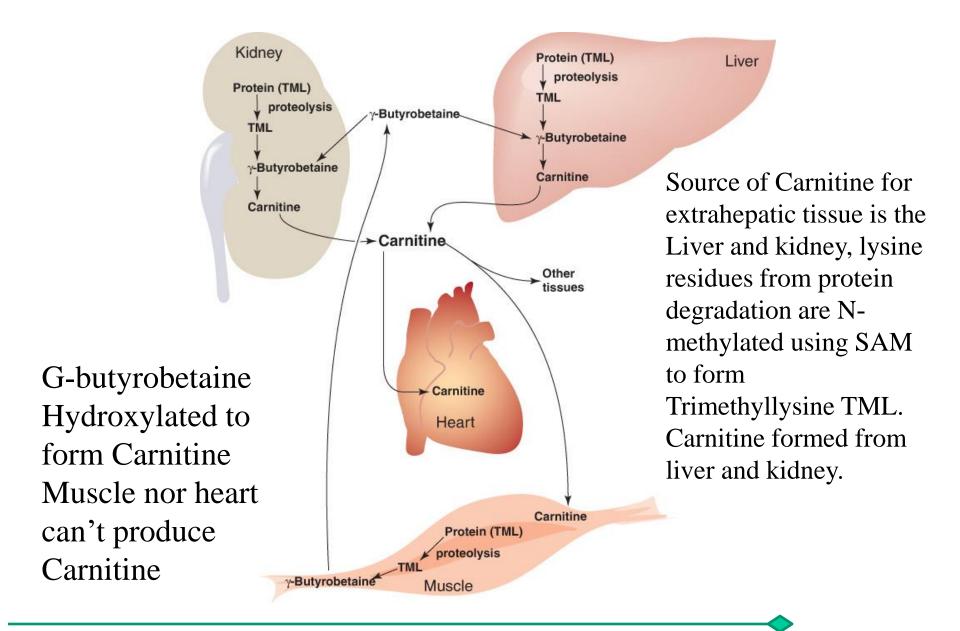


Figure 21.7 Kidney and liver provide carnitine for other tissues.

Energy requirements, reserves and caloric Homeostasis

The average person consumes 180-280 g of carbohydrates, 70-100g of protein and 70-100g of fat daily. This meets a daily requirement of 1600-2400 kcal.

Glucose levels need to be well regulated <1.5 mM coma and death

Hyperglycemia needs to also be avoided since glucose will be lost in urine and blood vol altered much glucose results in glycation of proteins

TABLE 21.1 • Energy Reserves of Humans^a

		Fuel Reserves		
Stored Fuel	Tissue	(g)	(kcal)	
Glycogen	Liver	70	280	
Glycogen	Muscle	120	480	
Glucose	Body fluids	20	80	
Fat	Adipose	15,000	135,000	
Protein	Muscle	6,000	24,000	

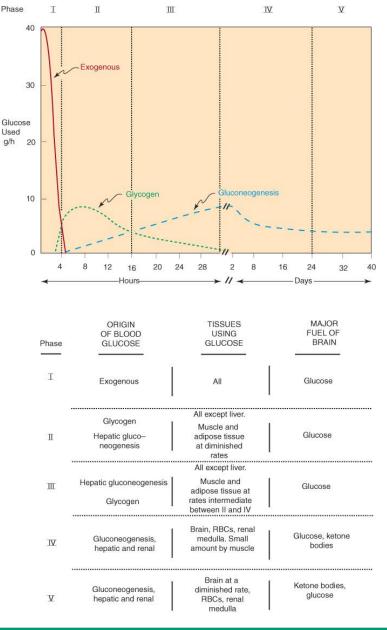
"Data are for a normal subject weighing 70 kg. Carbohydrate supplies 4 kcal/g; fat, 9 kcal/g; protein, 4 kal/g.

TABLE 21.2 • Substrate and Hormone Levels in Blood of Well-Fed, Fasting, and Starving Humans^a

Hormone or Substrate (units)	Very Well Fed	Postabsorptive 12 hours	Fasted 3 days	Starvea 5 weeks
Insulin (µU/mL)	40	15	8	6
Glucagon (pg/mL)	80	100	150	120
Insulin/glucagon ratio (µU/pg)	0.50	0.15	0.05	0.05
Glucose (mM)	6.1	4.8	3.8	3.6
Fatty acids (mM)	0.14	0.6	1.2	1.4
Acetoacetate (mM)	0.04	0.05	0.4	1.3
β-Hydroxybutyrate (mM)	0.03	0.10	1.4	6.0
Lactate (mM)	2.5	0.7	0.7	0.6
Pyruvate (mM)	0.25	0.06	0.04	0.03
Alanine (mM)	0.8	0.3	0.3	0.1
ATP equivalents (mM)	262	235	301	428

Source: From Ruderman, N. B., Aoki, T. T., and Cahill, G. F. Jr. Gluconeogenesis and its disorders in man. In: R. W. Hanson and M. A. Mehlman (Eds.), Gluconeogenesis, Its Regulation in Mammalian Species. New York: Wiley, 1976, p. 515.

Data are for normal-weight subjects except for the 5-week starvation values, which are from obese subjects undergoing therapeutic starvation. ATP equivalents were calculated on the basis of the ATP yield expected on complete oxidation of each substrate to CO_2 and H_2O : 32 molecules of ATP for each molecule of glucose; 106 for the average fatty acid (palmitate); 19 for acetoacetate; 21.5 for β -hydroxybutyrate; 15 for lactate; 12.5 for pyruvate; and 13 (corrected for urea formation) for alanine.



Phase IV ketone bodies predominate to compensate for fuel needs



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Mechanisms involved in switching liver metabolism between the well-fed and starved states

Substrate availability controls metabolic pathways

Fatty acids in blood and entering liver determines ketogenesis

Glucose synthesis in liver is affected by the rate of which gluconeogenic substrate enter

In diabetes delivery of amino acids stimulate gluconeogenesis and exacerbates hyperglycemia. Failure to supply gluconeogenic substrate explain some hypoglicemia (pregnancy and advanced starvation)

Ammonia and amino acids stimulate urea cycle, the intestine release citrulline after rich protein meal, protein deficiency urea formation declines.

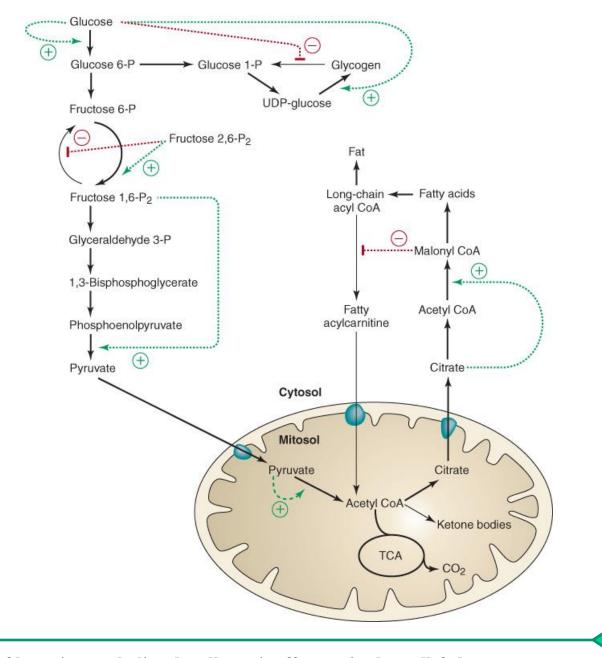


Figure 21.9 Control of hepatic metabolism by allosteric effectors in the well-fed state.

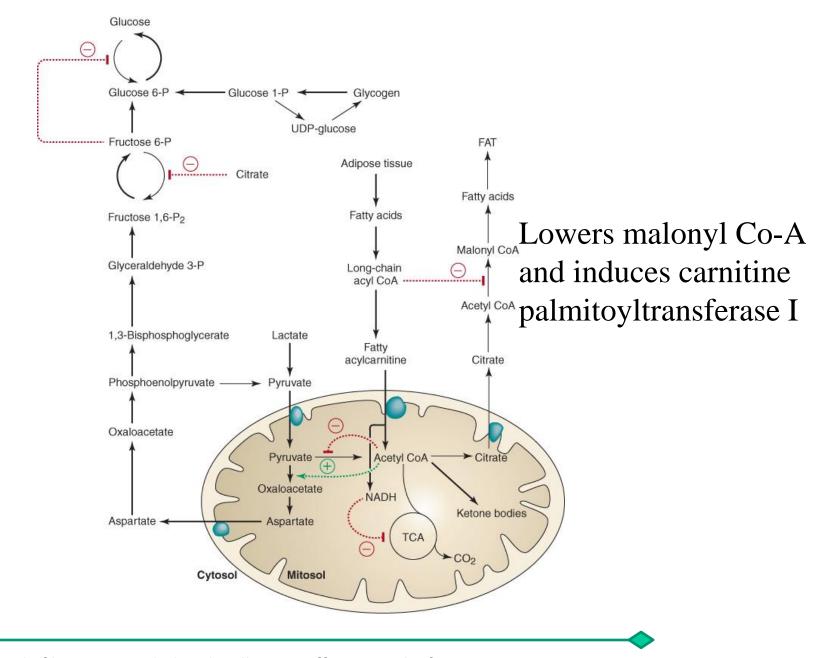
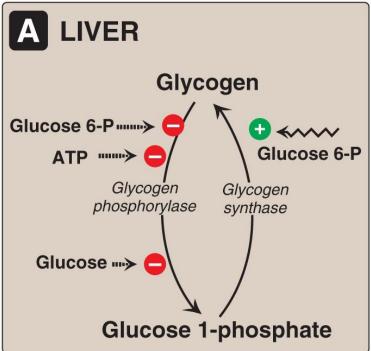
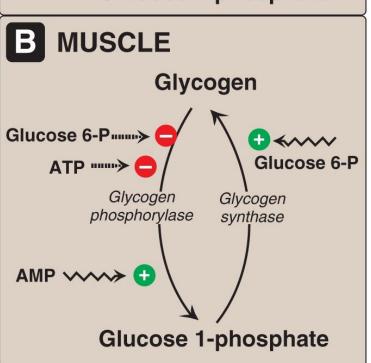


Figure 21.10 Control of hepatic metabolism by allosteric effectors in the fasting state.





Regulation of Glycogen Synthesis The synthesis and degradation of glycogen are tightly regulated. Glycogen synthase and glycogen phosphorylase are allosterically controlled and are hormonally regulated. Glycogen synthesis is stimulated when energy levels and substrate availability are high. Glycogen degradation is increased when energy levels and available glucose supplies are low. In muscle, contraction requires ATP hence AMP is accumulated. Ca²⁺ is released due to depolarization of nerve impulses. Ca²⁺ binds to calmodulin (a subunit of phosphorylase kinase) and activates this enzyme (glycogen phosphorylase).

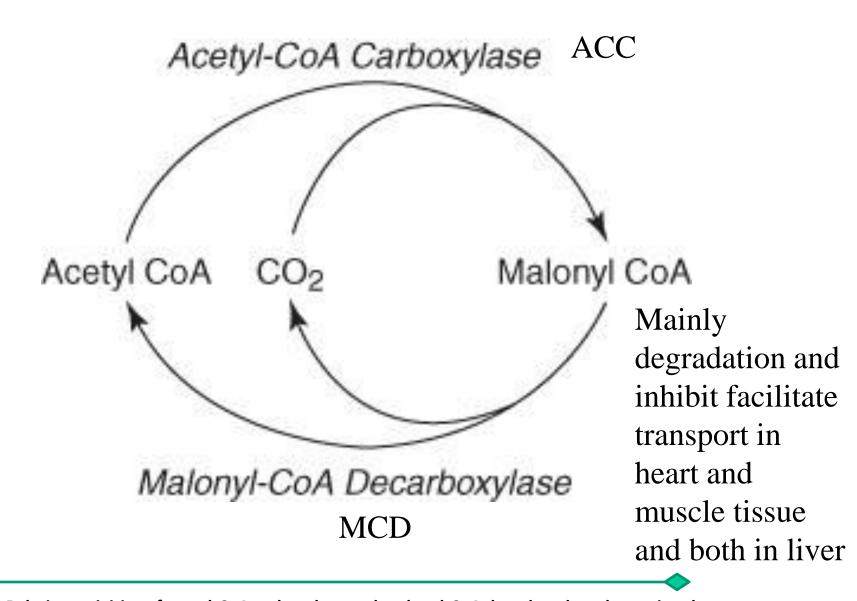


Figure 21.11 Relative activities of acetyl-CoA carboxylase and malonyl-CoA decarboxylase determine the concentration of malonyl CoA.

Covalent modifications regulating key enzymes

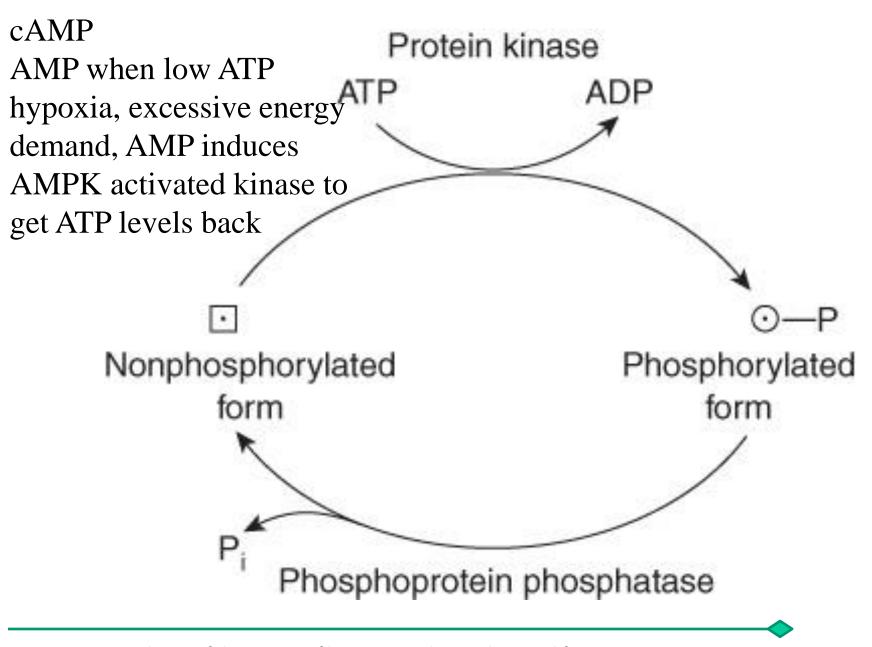


Figure 21.12 Regulation of the activity of key enzymes by covalent modification.

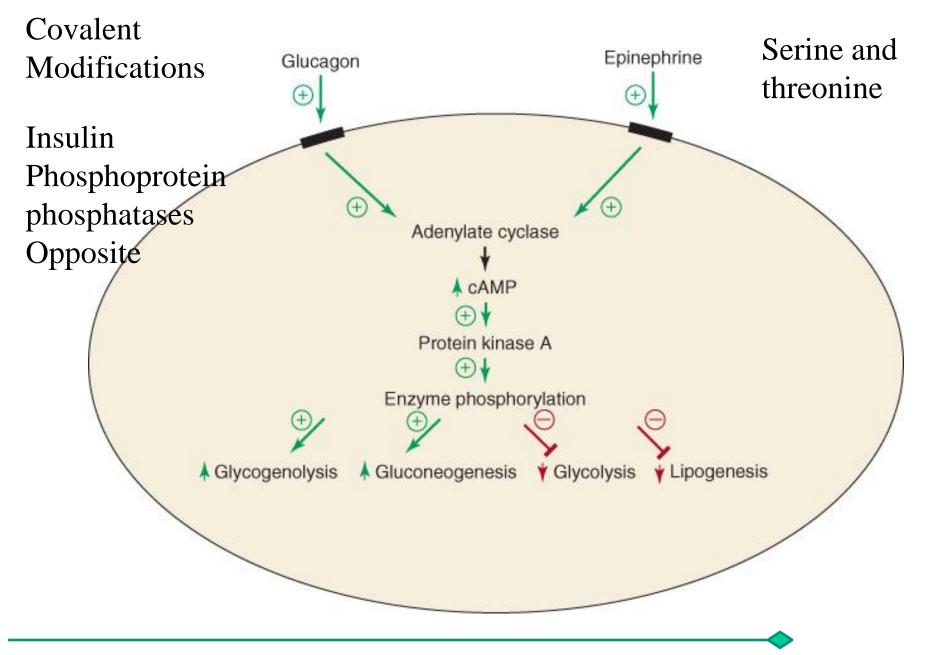


Figure 21.13 Glucagon and epinephrine stimulate glycogenolysis and gluconeogenesis and inhibit glycolysis and lipogenesis in liver.

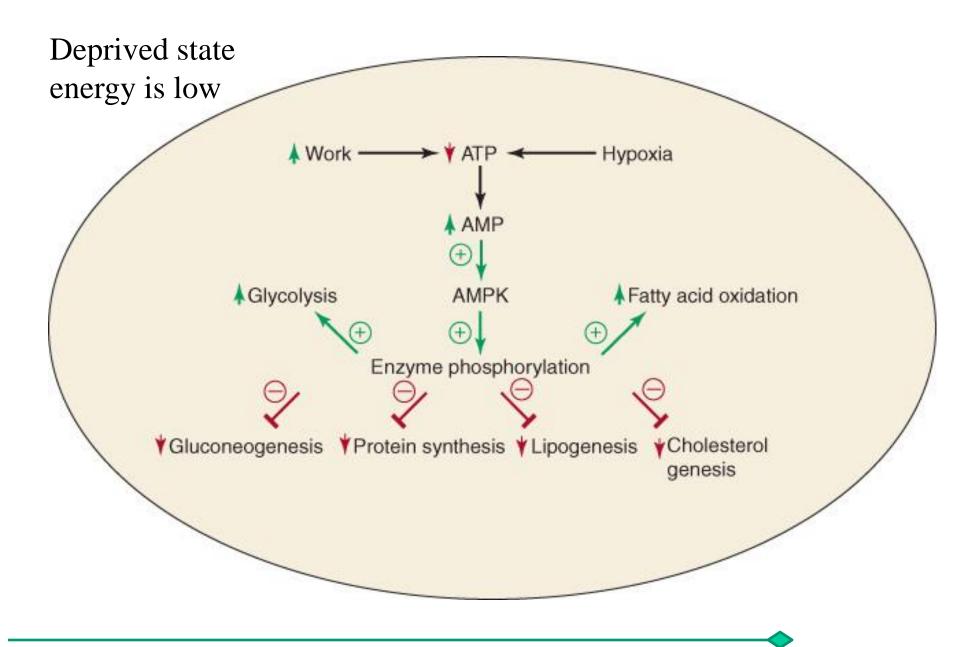


Figure 21.14 Activation of AMPK shuts down ATP-requiring processes and stimulates ATP-producing processes.

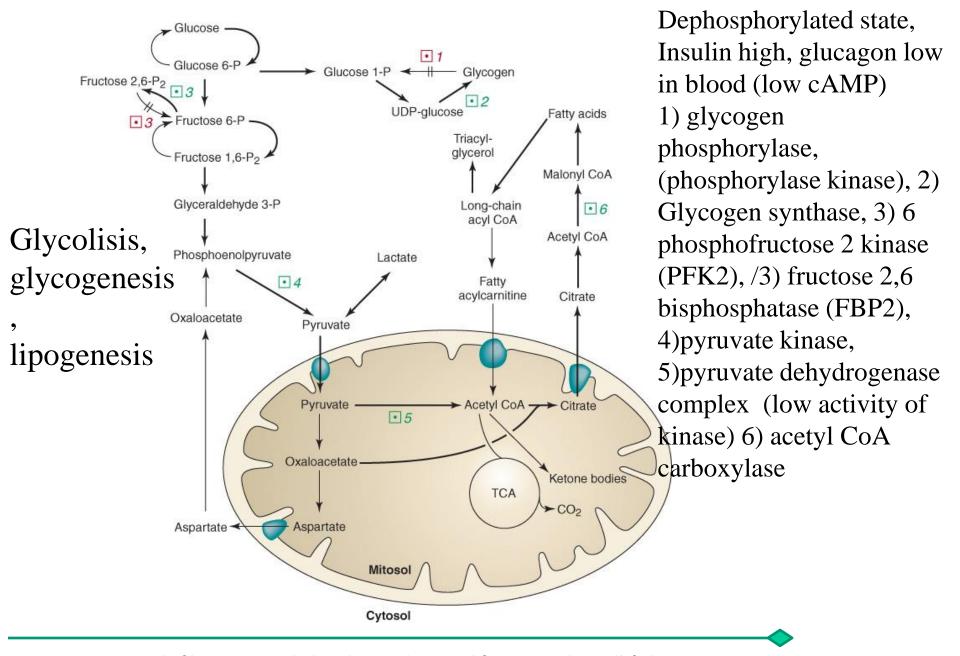


Figure 21.15 Control of hepatic metabolism by covalent modification in the well-fed state.

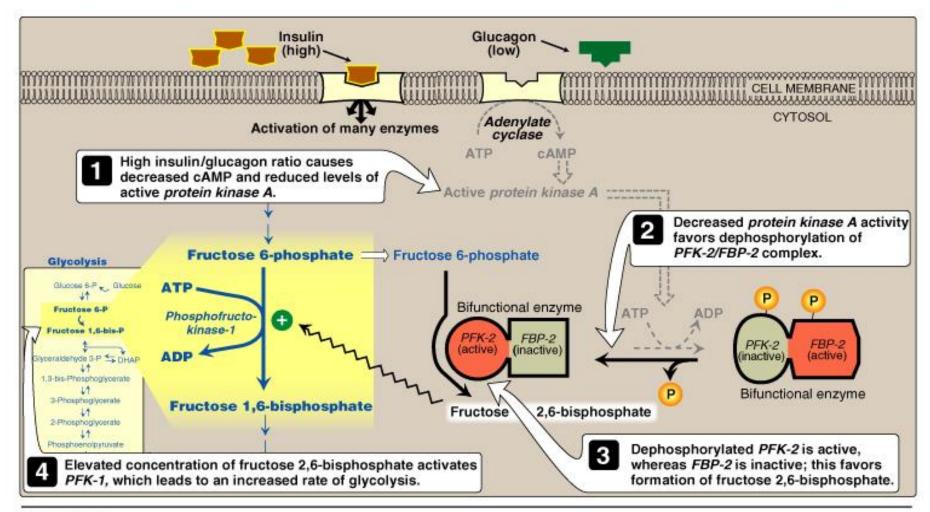
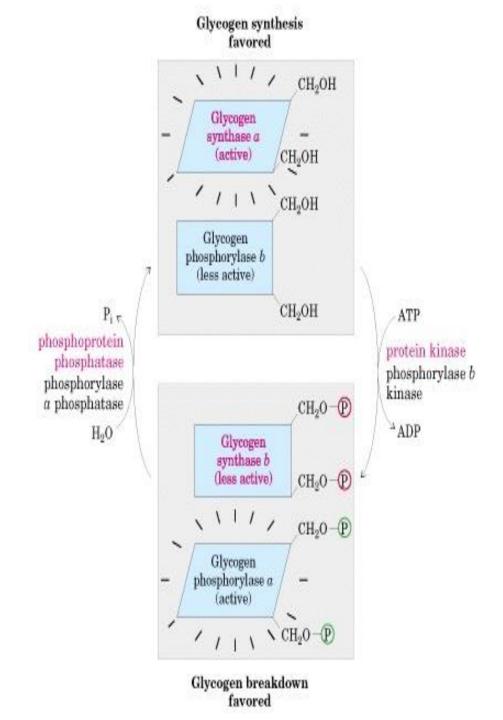
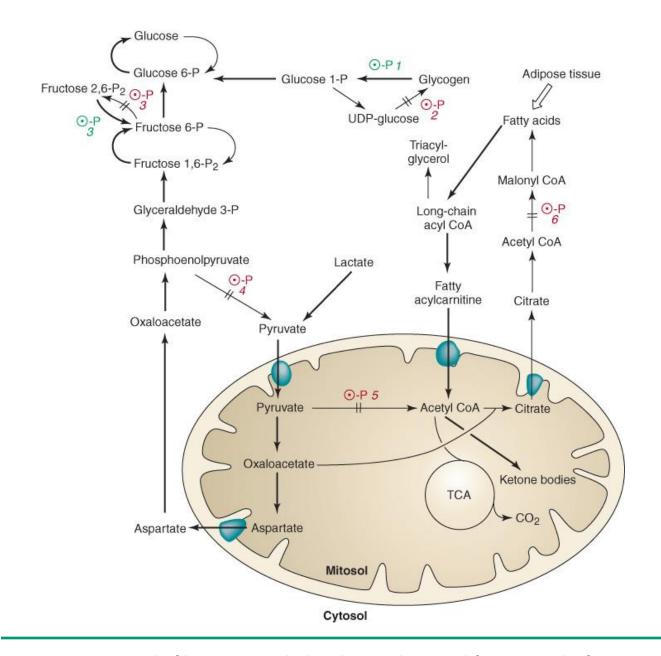


Figure 8.17

Effect of elevated insulin concentration on the intracellular concentration of fructose 2,6-bisphosphate in liver. PFK-2 = phosphofructokinase-2; FBP-2 = Fructose bisphospate phosphatase-2.





High levels of glucagon, high levels of cAMP turn on Protein Kinase A, glycogen phosphorylase, phosphorylase kinase, PFK2/FBP2. Also AMPK activated turn off anabolic pathways that use ATP turns on catabolism.

Figure 21.16 Control of hepatic metabolism by covalent modification in the fasting state.

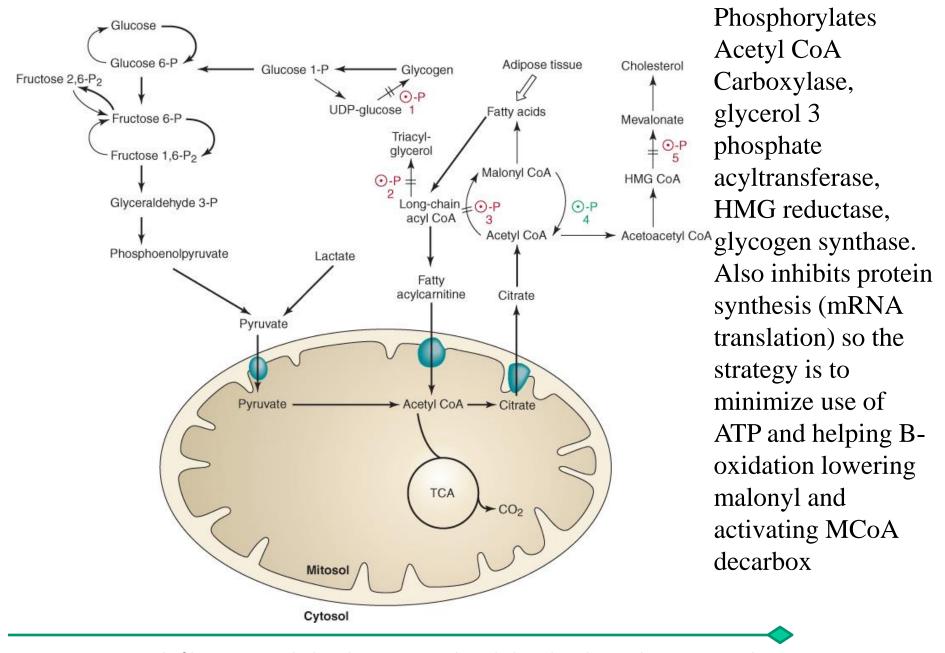


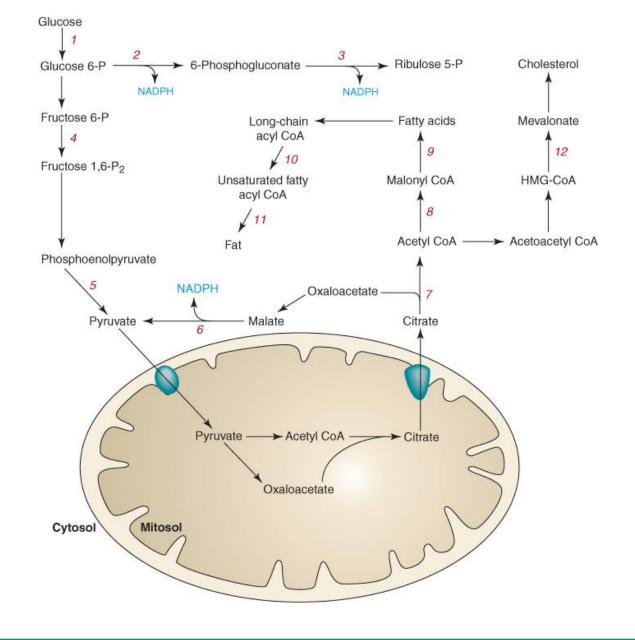
Figure 21.17 Control of hepatic metabolism by AMPK-mediated phosphorylation during energy deprivation.

In adipose tissue during well fed Pk, PDHC, Acetyl CoA carboxylase and hormone sensitive lipase (not found in liver) all are dephosphorylated. Hormone sensitive lipase is inactive.

Phosphorylation by cAMP Protein Kinase A and low Insulin levels in blood turn on lipid degradation.

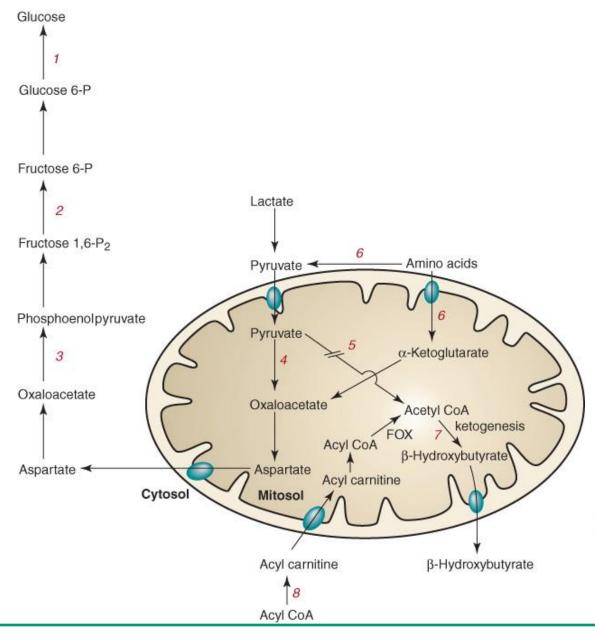
In skeletal muscle, Glycogen synthase, glycogen phosphorylase PDHC, Acetyl CoA carboxylase, and malonyl CoA decarboxylase are dephosphorylated in fed state. GLUT4 insulin stimulated.

In starved state the turn off of PDHC is critical to conserve 3 carbon compounds. This occurs with high levels of Acetyl CoA and NADH generated by B-oxidation



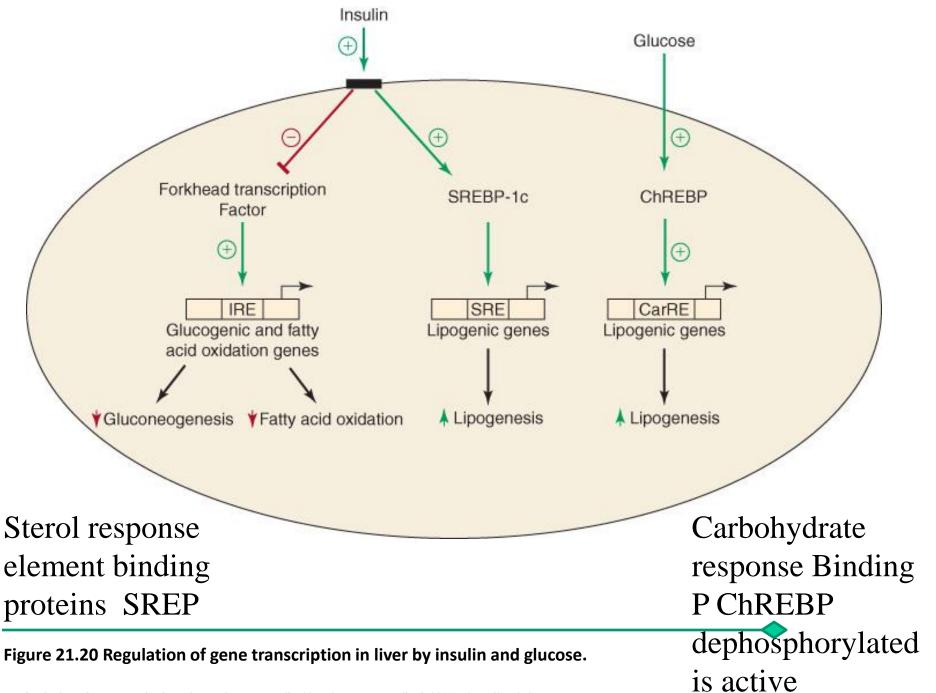
Enzymes induced in well fed state, all in synchronization to favor the formation of triacylglycerol and formation of NADPH for synthesis including de novo synthesis of Cholesterol enzyme names are in the book.

Figure 21.18 Hepatic enzymes induced in the well-fed state.



On the other hand under starvation lipogenic enzymes decrease dramatically in quantity while gluconeogenic enzymes are increased. Ketone bodies increase 7) Mitochondrial HMG CoA synthase (and the one in cytosol to mevalonate). Induces PDK inhibiting PDHC, avoiding Pyruvate to metabolize to Acetyl CoA conserving lactate and some amino acids. Induction of 8) Carnitine Palmitoyltransferase I to induce B oxidation and ketone bodies

Figure 21.19 Hepatic enzymes induced in the fasted state.



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Another transfactor involved in the synthesis of gluconeogenic genes when phosphorylated by Protein K A

cAMPresponseelement
binding protein
CREB

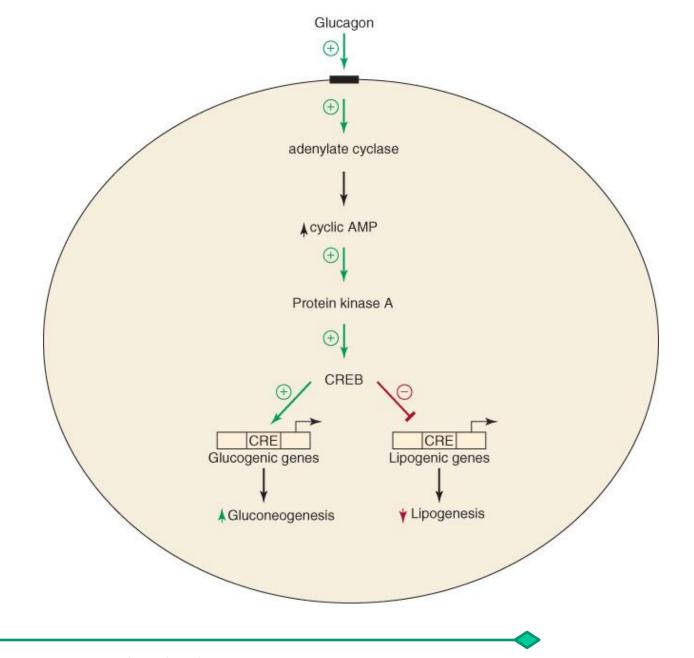


Figure 21.21 Regulation of gene transcription in liver by glucagon.

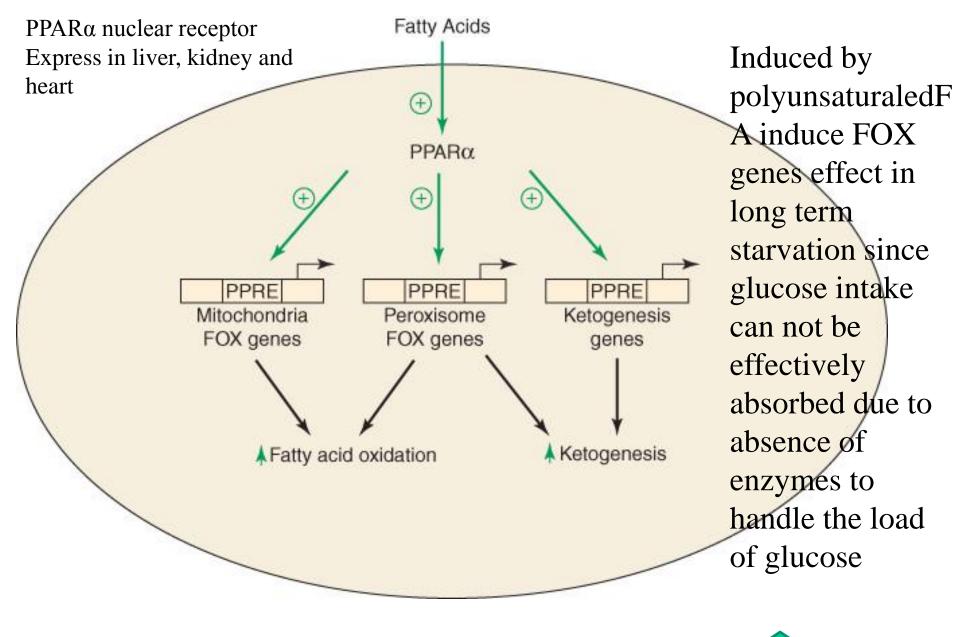


Figure 21.22 PPAR activation by fatty acids promotes transcription of fatty acid oxidation (FOX) and ketogenesis genes. Abbreviation: PPRE, PPAR responsive element.

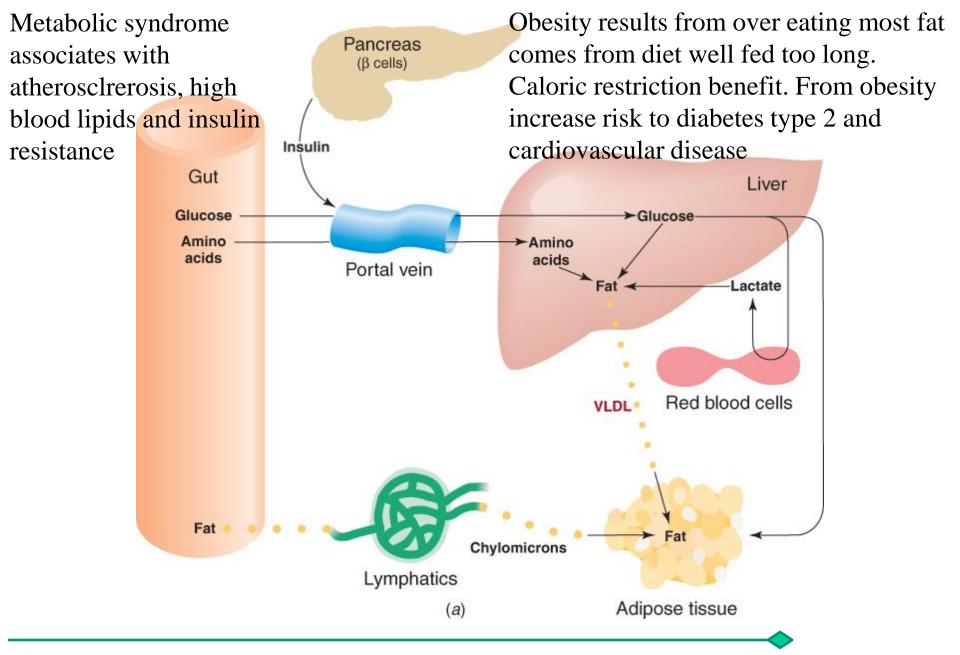
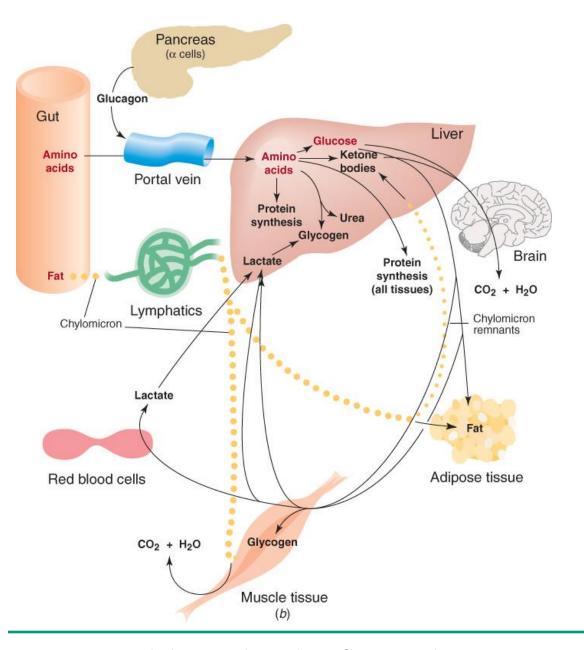


Figure 21.23 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in various nutritional, hormonal, and disease states: Obesity.

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Keton bodies and glucose are being produced fat is being used to produce ketone bodies to supply the ATP needs for glucose synthesis, Atkin diet low carbohydrate, moderate fat high protein.

Figure 21.24 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in dieting.

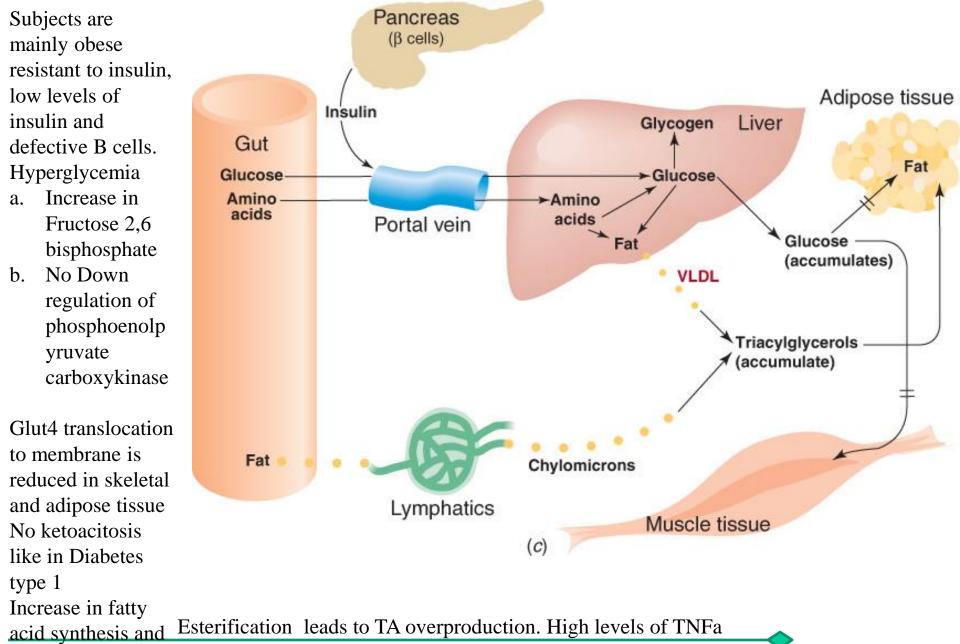


Figure 21.25 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in type 2 diabetes mellitus.

Pancreas Usually appears in (a cells) childhood, liver always gluconeogenic and Glycogen Glucagon ketogenic since Liver insulin/glucagon rations Glucose are low and fatty acids Amino Glucose' are high. Uncontrolled acids Lactate lipolysis in adipose Portal vein Glucose Amino tissue and lipogenesis is (accumulates) acids reduced, proteolysis in Fat Ketone bodies skeletal muscle, Glut4 (accumulate) Alanine remain inside cell (in Fatty acids VLDL Gut (accumulate) muscle and adipose tissue). Triacylglycerols (accumulate) Hyperglycemia in the Fat well fed state. Low lipoprotein lipase Chylomicrons in adipose tissue Adipose tissue hydrolizes TA in endothelial cells which Protein depends on insulin for (d) Muscle tissue synthesis

Figure 21.26 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in type 1 diabetes mellitus.

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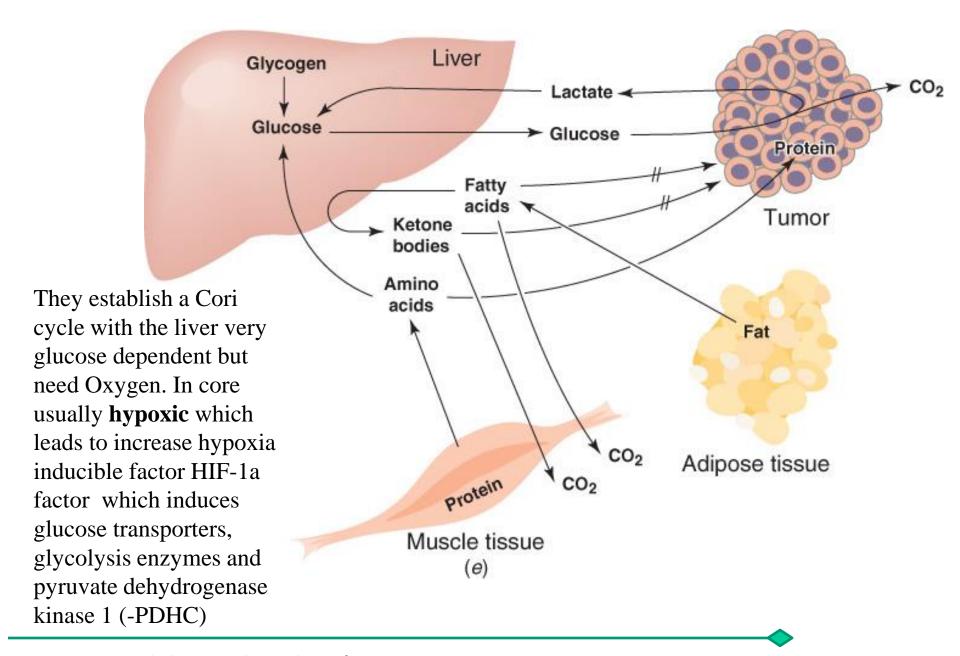


Figure 21.27 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in cancer.

Increase in AMP allosterically activates glycogen phosphorilase, 6 phosphofructose 1 kinase (PFK1) and AMPK (+ fatty acid oxidation and Glycolysis). AMPK inactivates acetyl-CoA carboxylase. Therefore there is greater carnitine palmitoyltransferase 1 since ATP is in demand for contracting muscle. Lactate accumulates since glucose breakdown overrides glucose synthesis, lactate can become a fuel for the brain at 10-20 mM

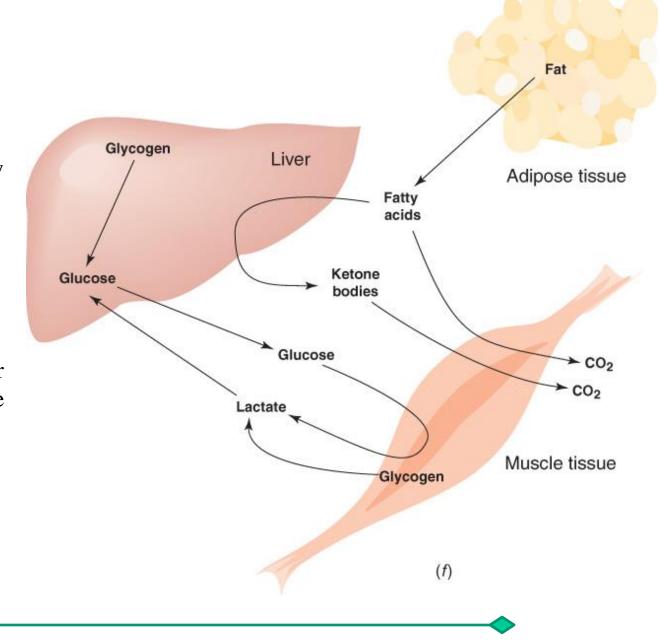
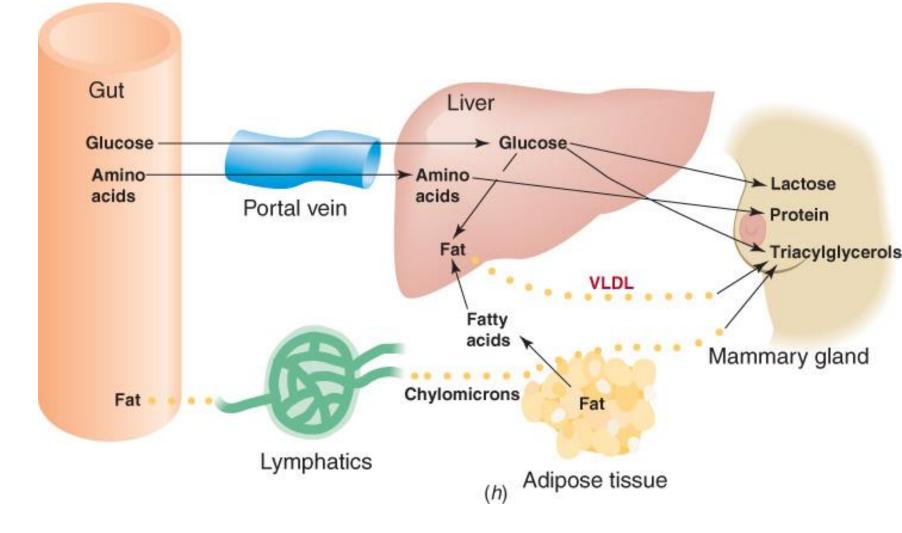


Figure 21.28 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in exercise.

During Liver pregnancy the Glycogen starved state is Lactate -Lactate perturbed, Synthesis and placenta Glucose Glucose energy secretes Fatty acids estradiol and Fetus Ketone progesterone bodies (CYP11A) and Amino lactogen which acids Placenta stimulates lipolysis in adipose tissue. Fat After meals a **Proteins** CO2 pregnant Adipose tissue woman can go CO₂ into the starved Muscle tissue phase faster (g) than normal due to the fetus.

Figure 21.29 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in pregnancy.



In late pregnancy placental (progesterone) and maternal (prolactin) induce lipoprotein lipase in mammary glands. Promotes milk secretion during lactation it produces PTHrP parathyroid hormone-related protein which stimulates Ca absorption.

Figure 21.30 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in lactation.

Characteristics blood cortisol, glucagon, catecholamines, growth hormones and resistance to insulin. Gln and branched AA are reduced in muscle inducing proteolysis with the help of IL-1. IL6 induce fibrinogen, complement protein and clotting factors, α2 macroglobulin (injury and infection). TNFα suppresses TA synthesis, (-)lipoprotein lipase and stimulates lipolysis inhibits insulin release promotes insulin resistance.

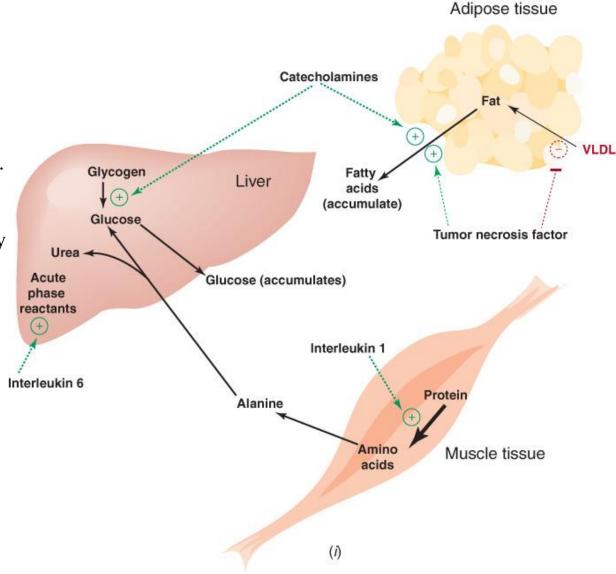


Figure 21.31 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in stress and injury.

Major metabolic Liver disarrangement for Glucose AA. Cirrhosis, cant convert ammonia into Gut urea and Gln fast enough. Here we Amino Amino acids have ammonia built acids up. High Ammonia Portal vein are caused by NH₄⁺ (accumulates) glutaminase and Glu dehydrogenase. Brain Aromatic amino Cause bleeding of acids (accumulate) upper GI. High AA increase net rate of Protein degradation. NH₄ toxic to brain interferes with AA Protein metabolism and neurotransmitters. Amino Deficient in Insulin acids like growth factor (IGF-1) and are insulin resistant may Muscle tissue have diabetes. (i)

Branched chain AA are reduced while aromatics AA are elevated in blood this results in a reduced Fisher ratio the molar ratio of branched AA/aromatic AA. Both transported to brain by same carrier mechanism less comp by the branch so more aromatic go into brain increasing serotonin.

Figure 21.32 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in liver disease.

AA normally metabolized by kidney (proline, Gln, Liver Gut Glysine and Urea citrulline) build up as well as Nitrogen Urea Amino acids Amino acids (accumulates) products, urea, uric Portal vein acid, creatinine. We need to reduce protein intake (only Colon essential AA) diet high in carb so non-Kidney Urea essential AA are NH4+ biosynthesized by the TCA cycle Creatine intermediates. Can phosphate Urea complicate by the Protein Creatinine removal of carnitine Amino (accumulates) from blood during acids dialysis, increasing the risk of cardiac Muscle tissue and skeletal (k) myopathy

Figure 21.33 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in kidney failure.

Liver involved in ethanol metabolism. Ethanolacetaldehyde, ethanol dehydrogenase generates NADH and aldehyde dehydrogenase also generates NADH. Gluconeogenic Enzymes that use NAD are inhibited (lactate dehydrogenase and malate dehydrogenase) and fatty acid oxidation Bhydroxyacyl-CoA dehydrogenase as well as Glycerol phosphate dehydrogenase which reduces the formation of DHA and then glycerol is used for TA synthesis. Acetaldehyde can form covalent bonds with other functional groups enhancing toxicity

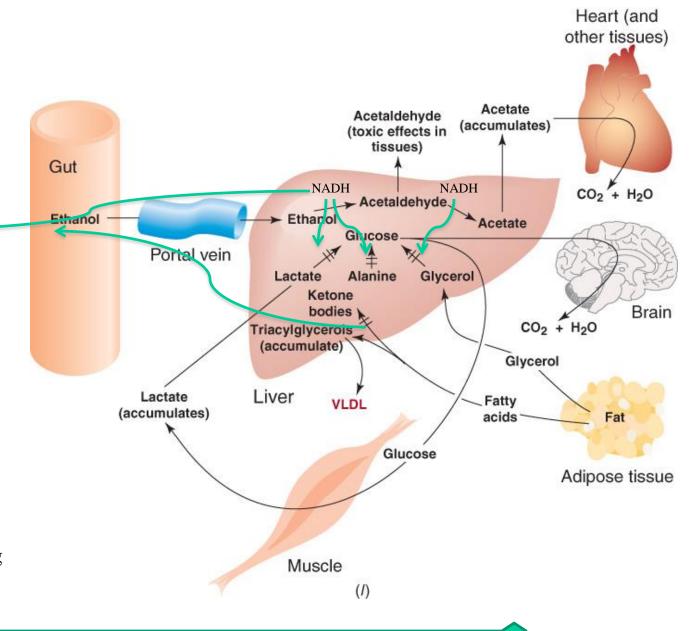


Figure 21.34 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in consumption of alcohol.

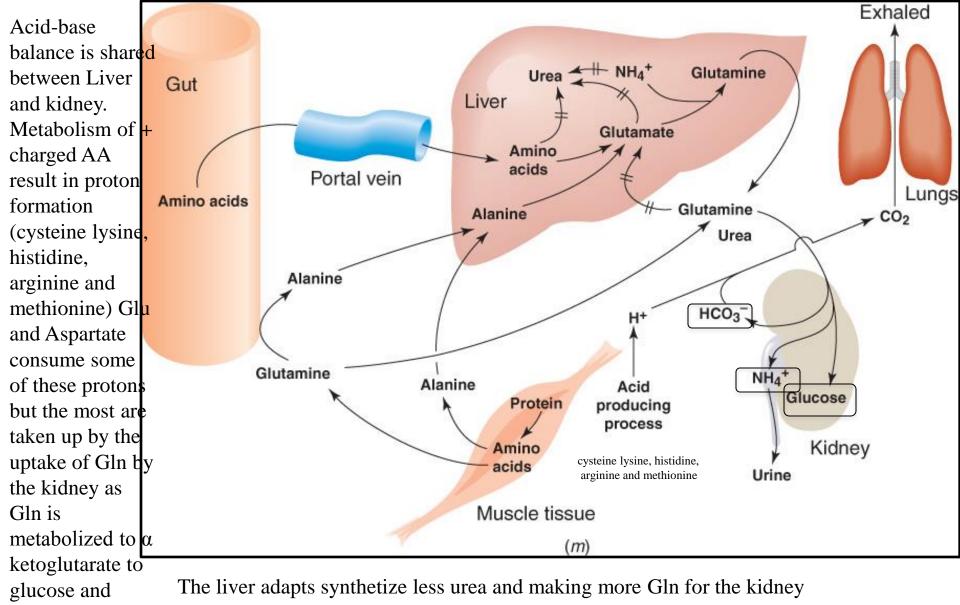


Figure 21.35 Metabolic interrelationships of tissues in acidosis.

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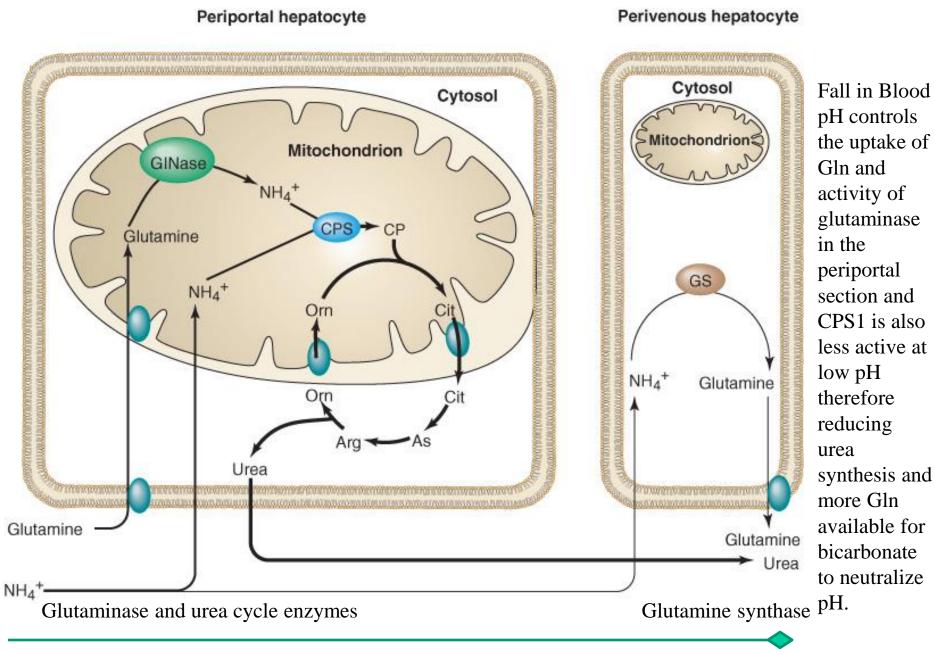


Figure 21.36 Intercellular glutamine cycle of the liver.

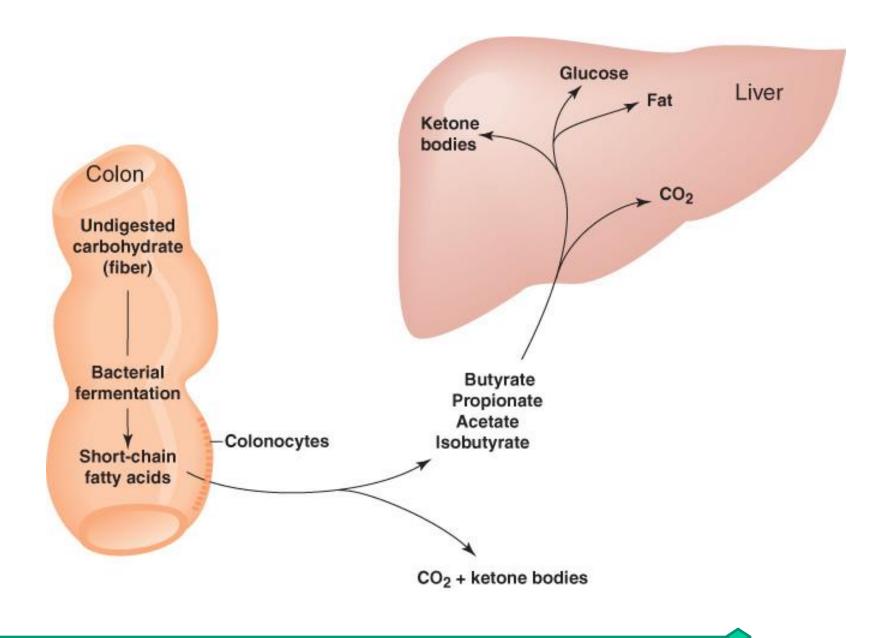


Figure 21.37 Bacterial fermentation generates fuel for colonocytes.