

# Biology 10

Chapter 9-2

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## “The Krebs Cycle and Electron Transport”

### Objectives

- Describe what happens during the Krebs cycle.
- Explain how high energy electrons are used by the electron transport chain.
- Describe three pathways the body uses to release energy during exercise
- Compare photosynthesis and respiration.

### The Krebs Cycle

- If oxygen is present (= \_\_\_\_\_), then the pyruvic acid formed in glycolysis enters the Krebs cycle
- There are two main parts to the Krebs cycle
  - formation of acetyl-coA
  - energy extraction phase (Citric Acid Cycle)

### Acetyl CoA formation

- Pyruvate (3 carbon) has a carboxyl group removed (forming \_\_\_\_\_)
  - The remaining two carbon group is oxidized (forming \_\_\_\_\_) and acetyl group
  - The acetyl group is attached to coenzyme A, forming **acetyl coA**
  - Products (for each original glucose): \_\_\_\_\_
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### Citric Acid Cycle (Kreb’s Cycle)

- Acetyl CoA transfers the 2 carbon acetyl group to \_\_\_\_\_  
**oxaloacetate**
- this reaction forms a 6 carbon \_\_\_\_\_ (citric acid) molecule
- Citrate loses 2 carboxyl groups (each forming \_\_\_\_\_), and is oxidized twice (forming \_\_\_\_\_)
  - these CO<sub>2</sub> molecules (and the ones from the formation of acetyl-coA) are what we exhale!

### Citric Acid Cycle (Kreb’s Cycle)

- For each acetyl CoA, an \_\_\_\_\_ is then formed
- Eventually, the 4 carbon molecule remaining is oxidized twice more (forming \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_), and results in an oxaloacetate molecule, which is then ready for another acetyl coA!
- Products (for each glucose): \_\_\_\_\_

- for each acetyl coA, the numbers would be 2 CO<sub>2</sub>, 1 ATP, 3 NADH, and 1 FADH<sub>2</sub>

## Energy Extraction Phase of Krebs Cycle

### Electron Transport Chain

- All of the NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub> produced in the other steps enters the electron transport chain
- The hydrogen atoms are passed from one electron acceptor to another in a series of reactions, each of which releases a little bit of energy
- first electron acceptor is **flavin mononucleotide (FMN)**, some of the middle ones are \_\_\_\_\_ (**Q**), and **cytochromes**, the last is \_\_\_\_\_
- **so the role of oxygen in respiration is simply to be a**

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- When oxygen accepts the pair of electrons, it binds with two protons to form \_\_\_\_\_
  - the energy released is used to separate the electron from the hydrogen and pass the remaining proton into the intermembrane space of the mitochondria
  - this sets up a steep concentration gradient (protons more concentrated \_\_\_\_\_ the intermembrane space)  
the protons are only allowed back across the membrane through special protein molecules, which happen to be enzymes ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) that phosphorylate ADP!
  - In essence, the proton gradient is used \_\_\_\_\_
  - For each NADH, up to \_\_\_\_\_ ATP are produced
  - For each FADH<sub>2</sub>, \_\_\_\_\_ ATP are produced
  - **Thus, a grand total of \_\_\_\_\_ ATP are produced per glucose!**
    - compared to anaerobic respiration, which only produces 2 ATP per glucose, aerobic respiration is about \_\_\_\_\_ times more efficient!
    - Aerobic respiration is even more efficient than an \_\_\_\_\_!
    - In spite of this high efficiency, only about 38% of the total energy found in glucose is captured. The other 62% is lost as \_\_\_\_\_!

## Energy and Exercise

- When exercising, your body gets the ATP in three steps
  - 1) At first, the body uses \_\_\_\_\_ to produce ATP (lasts about 5-10 seconds)
  - 2) After that, the muscles run out of \_\_\_\_\_, so they switch to lactic acid fermentation (lasts about \_\_\_\_\_)
  - 3) Beyond that, \_\_\_\_\_ cellular respiration is the only way to keep up with ATP demands
    - runners pace themselves so that their muscles don't run out of oxygen
    - first, \_\_\_\_\_ molecules (glycogen) are broken down (lasts about \_\_\_\_\_)
    - after that, the body breaks down other molecules for energy ( \_\_\_\_\_, then proteins)