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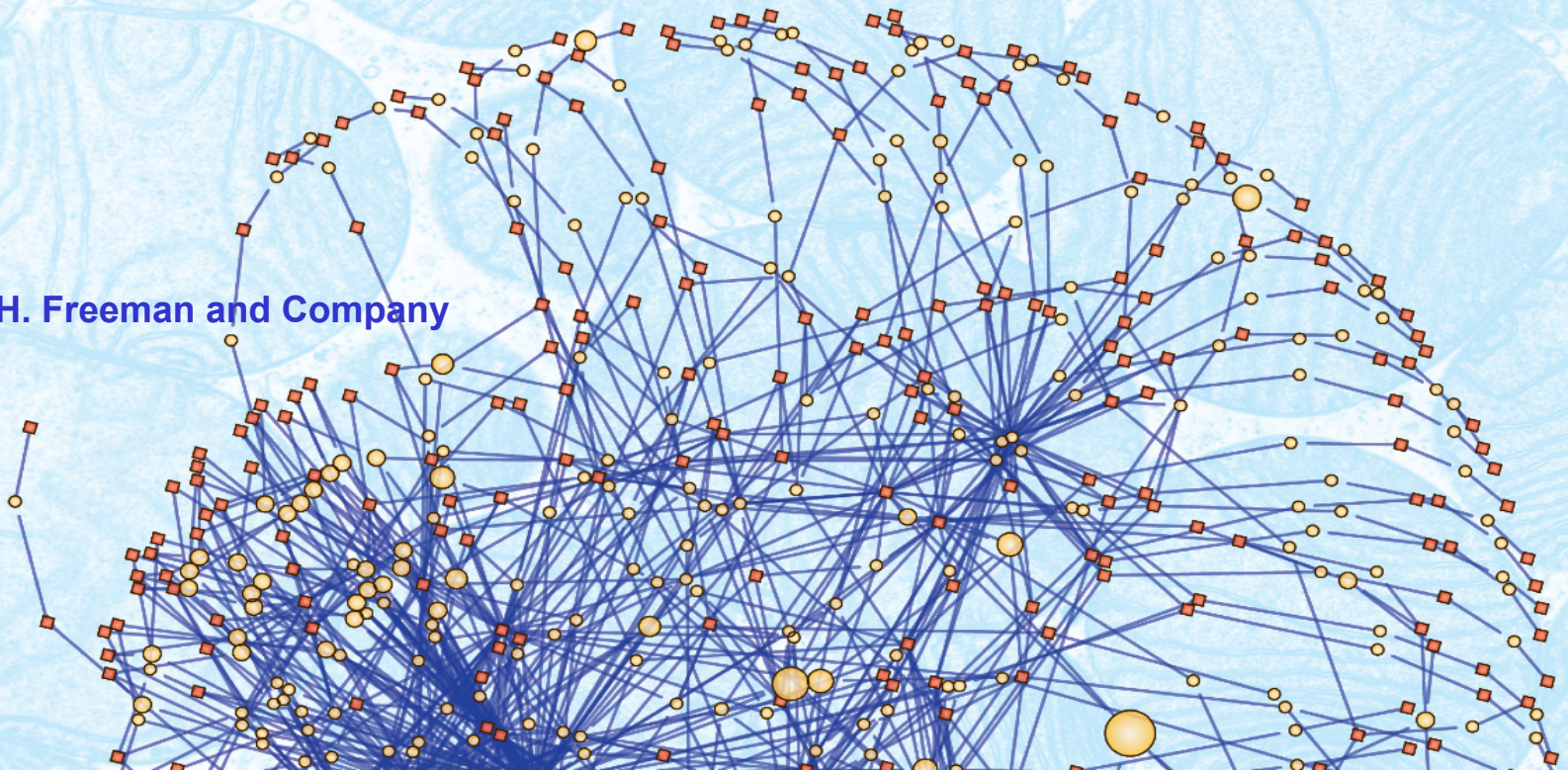
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# Principles of Biochemistry

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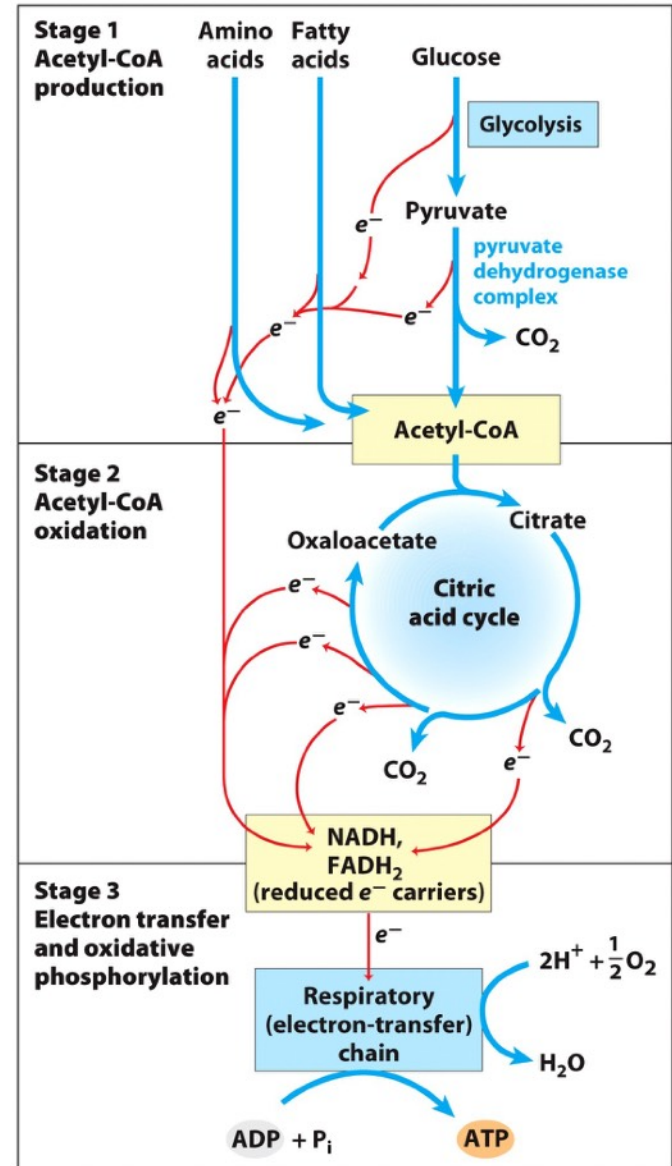
## 19| Oxidative Phosphorylation

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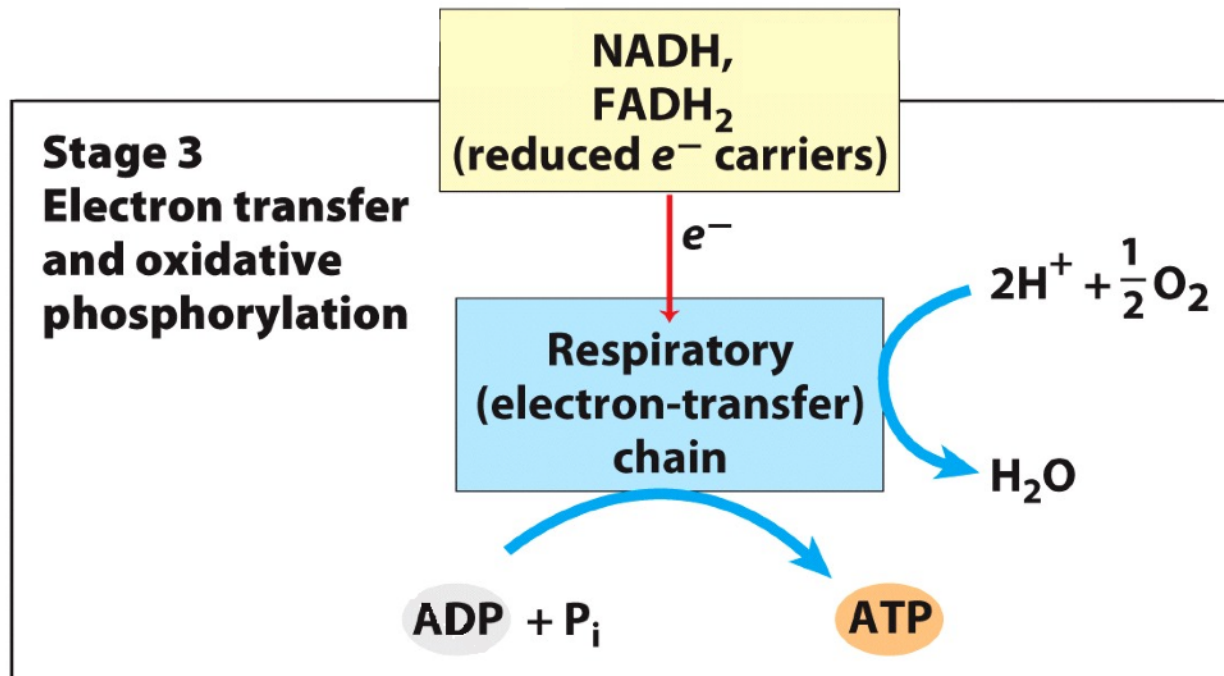
# Energy Flow in Cellular Respiration

- Carbohydrates, lipids, and amino acids are the main reduced fuels for the cell
- Electrons from reduced fuels are transferred to reduced cofactors **NADH** or **FADH<sub>2</sub>**
- In oxidative phosphorylation, energy from NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub> are used to make **ATP**



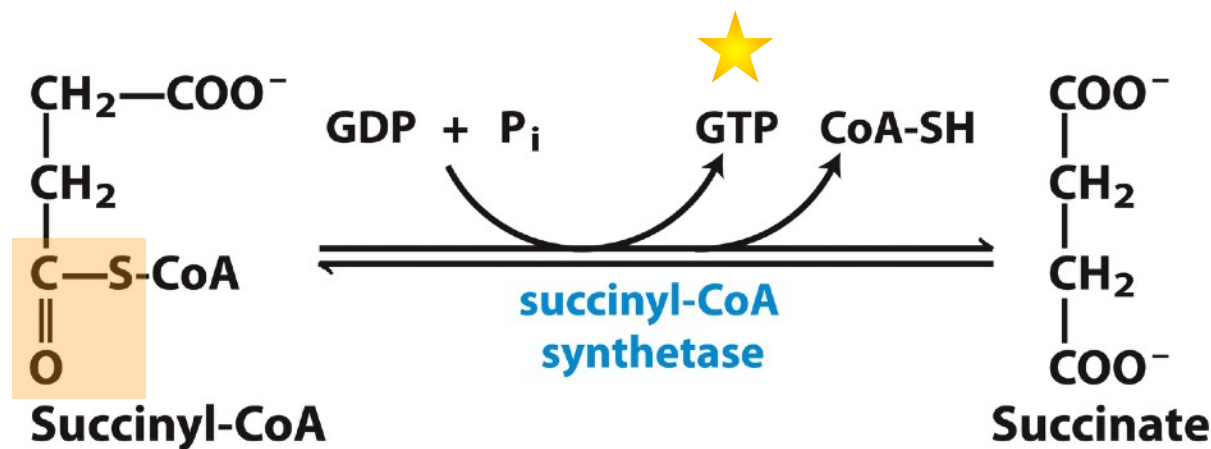
# Oxidative Phosphorylation

- Electrons from the reduced cofactors NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub> are passed to proteins in the respiratory chain
- In eukaryotes, oxygen is the ultimate electron acceptor for these electrons
- Energy of oxidation is used to phosphorylate ADP



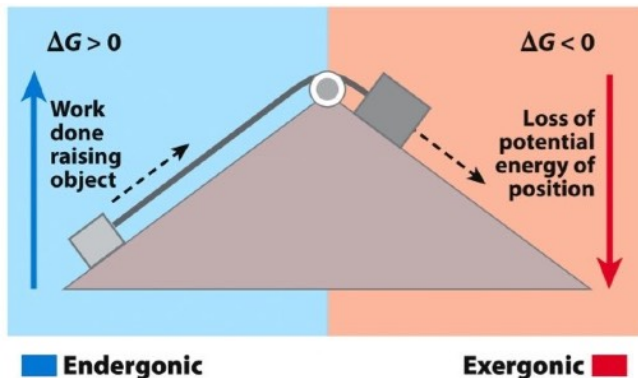
# Chemiosmotic Theory

- Synthesis of ATP from ADP and  $P_i$  is highly thermodynamically unfavorable
- **How do we make it possible?**
  - Phosphorylation of ADP is NOT a result of a direct reaction between ADP and some high-energy phosphate carrier
  - Energy needed to phosphorylate ADP is provided by the flow of protons down the electrochemical gradient
  - The energy released by electron transport is used to transport protons against the electrochemical gradient



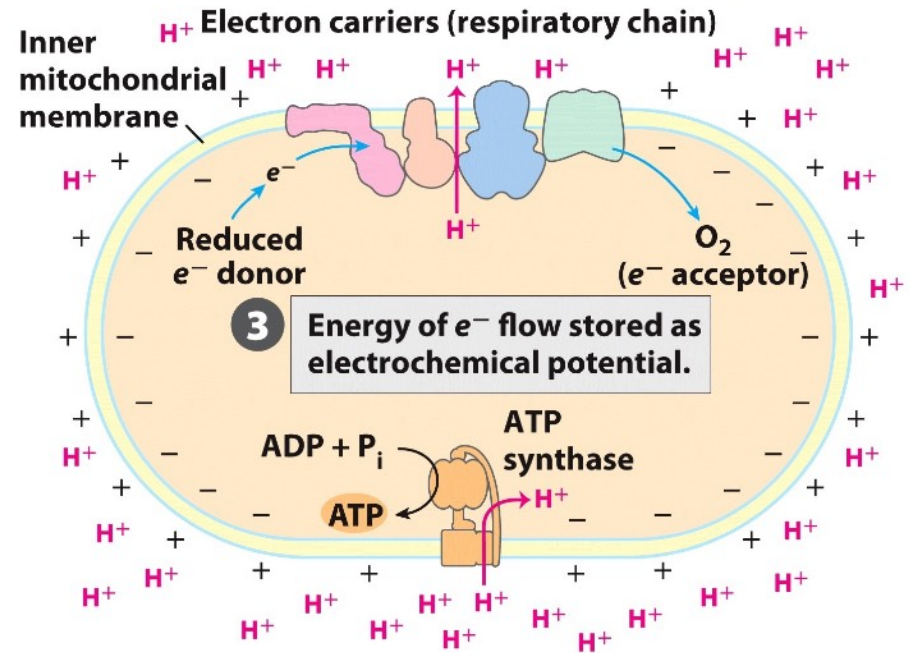
# Chemiosmotic Theory

- Electrons flow through a chain of membrane-bound carriers
  - From NADH to  $O_2$
- Electron flow is coupled to transport of protons
  - Electron flow is “downhill”
  - Proton transport is “uphill”
  - Free energy is conserved as trans-membrane electrochemical potential
- Proton flow drives ATP synthesis
  - Protons flow back
  - Energy is used for ATP synthesis
  - Catalyzed by ATP synthase



## (a) Mitochondrion

- Reduced substrate (fuel) donates  $e^-$ .
- Electron carriers pump  $H^+$  out as electrons flow to  $O_2$ .



- ATP synthase uses electrochemical potential to synthesize ATP.

# Week 13 Oxidative Phosphorylation

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## 19.1 Electron-Transfer Reactions in Mitochondria

19.2 ATP Synthesis

19.3 Regulation of Oxidative Phosphorylation

19.4 Mitochondria in Other Processes

19.5 Mitochondrial Genes

# Structure of a Mitochondrion

Four distinct compartments:

## 1. Outer Membrane

- Allows passage of metabolites

## 2. Inter-membrane Space

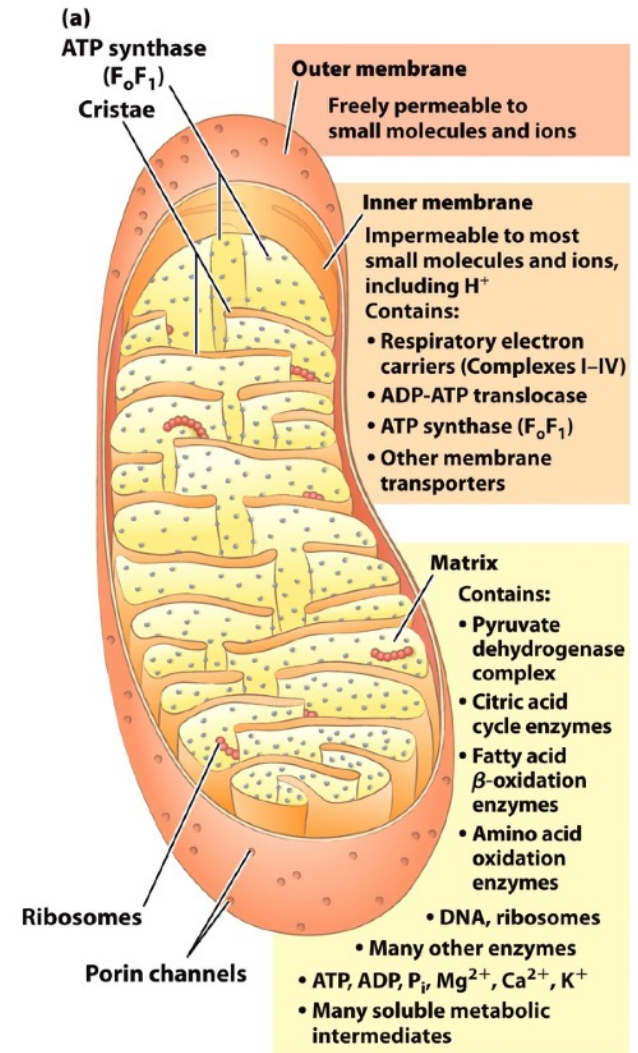
- High  $H^+$  concentration (lower pH)

## 3. Inner Membrane

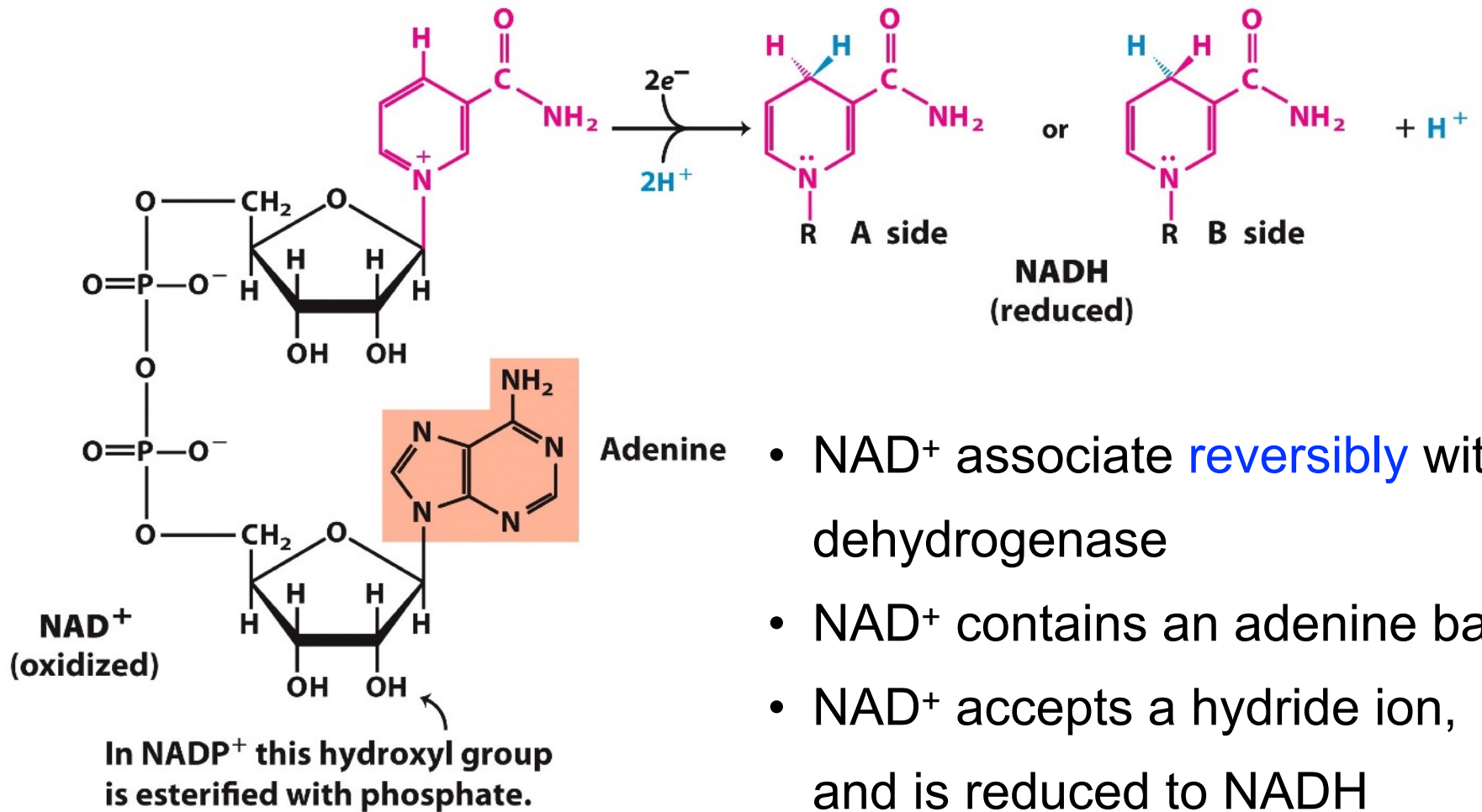
- **Relatively impermeable**, with proton gradient across it
- **Location of electron transport chain complexes**
- Convolutions called cristae serve to increase the surface area

## 4. Matrix

- Location of the citric acid cycle and parts of fatty acid and amino acid metabolism
- Lower proton concentration (higher pH)



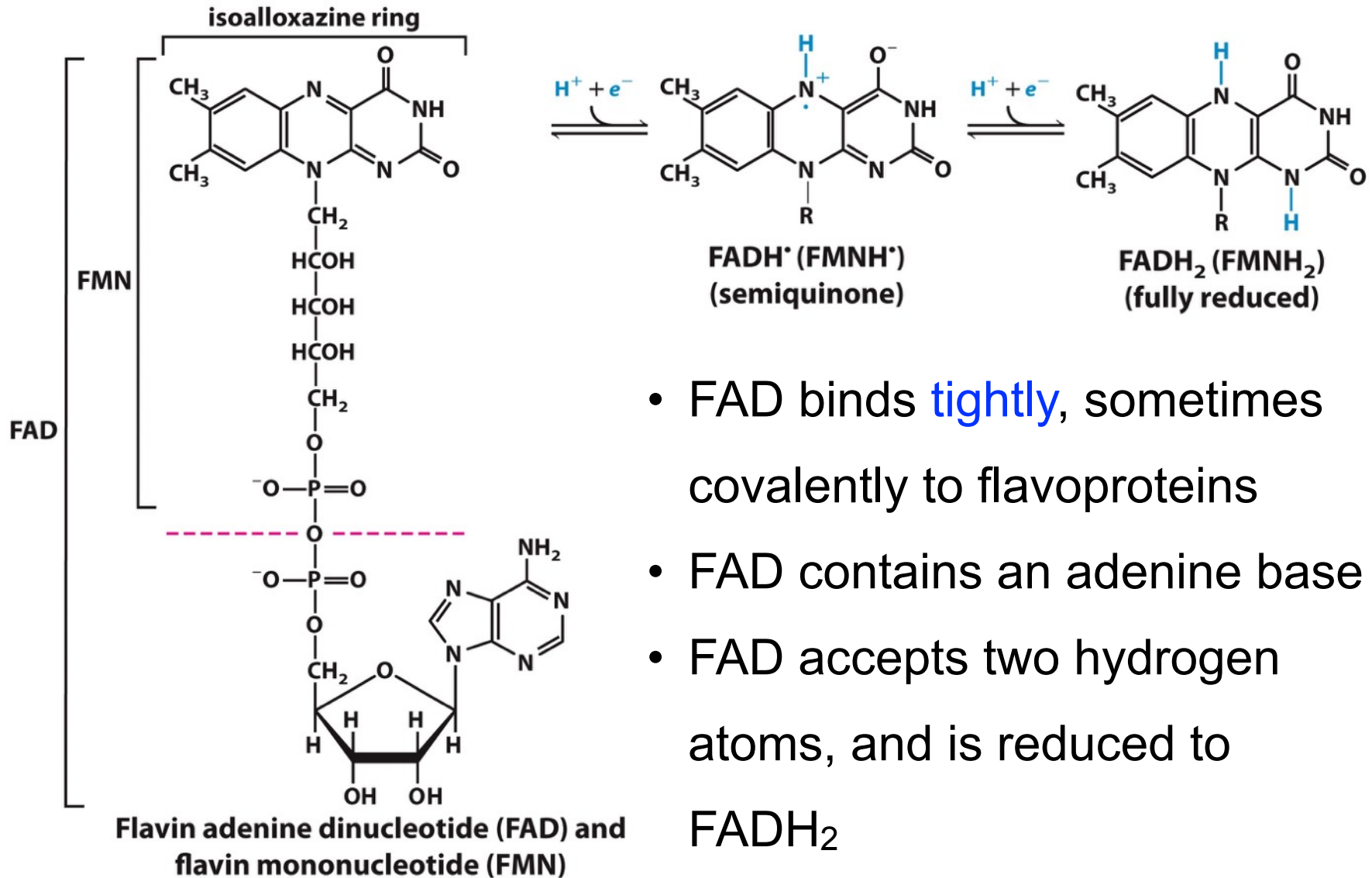
# Universal Electron Acceptors



**Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NAD<sup>+</sup>)**

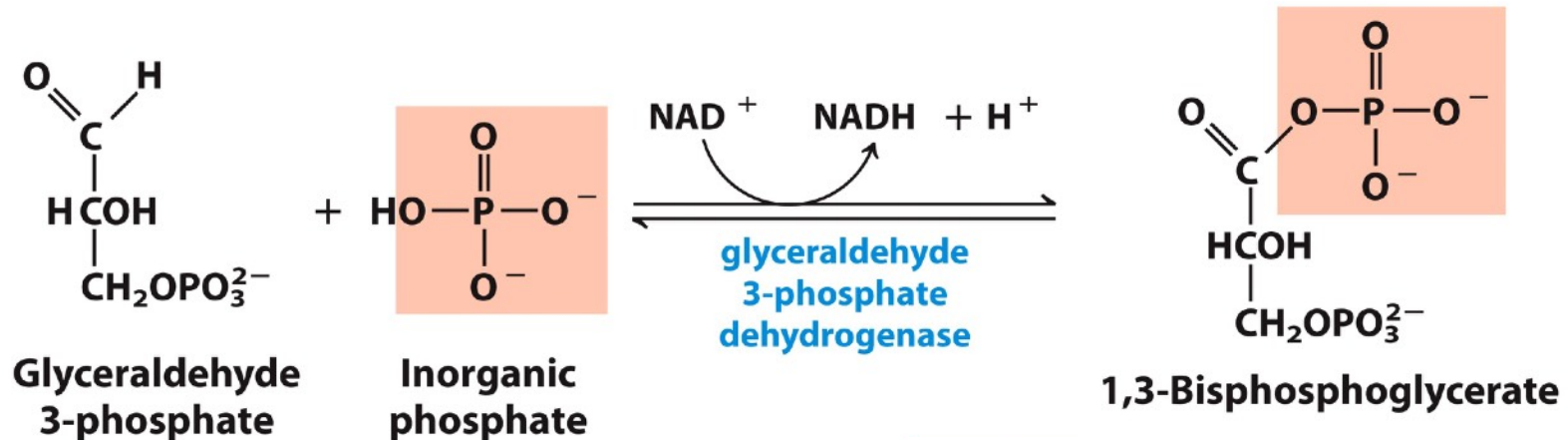
- NAD<sup>+</sup> associate **reversibly** with dehydrogenase
- NAD<sup>+</sup> contains an adenine base
- NAD<sup>+</sup> accepts a hydride ion, and is reduced to NADH

# Universal Electron Acceptors

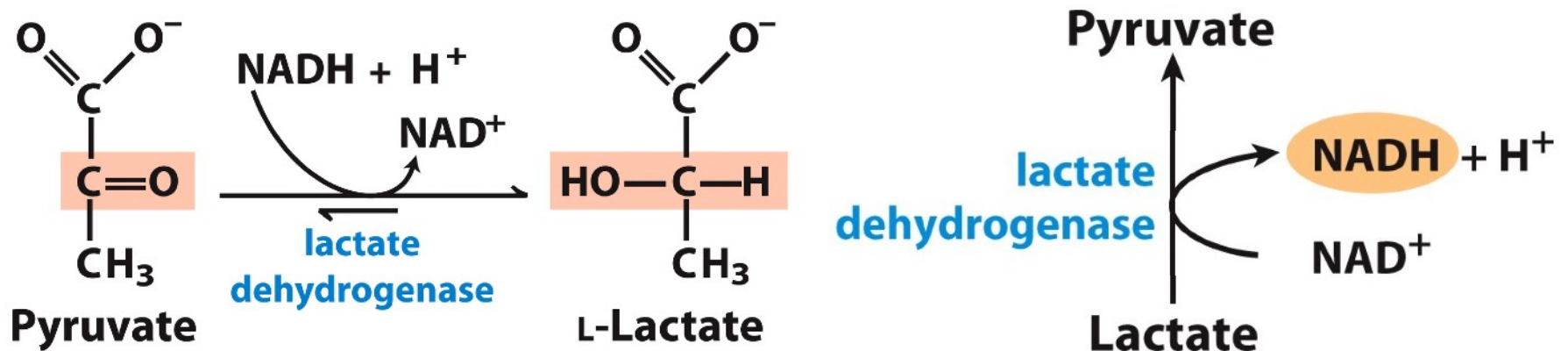


- FAD binds **tightly**, sometimes covalently to flavoproteins
- FAD contains an adenine base
- FAD accepts two hydrogen atoms, and is reduced to FADH<sub>2</sub>

# NAD<sup>+</sup> As Electron Acceptor

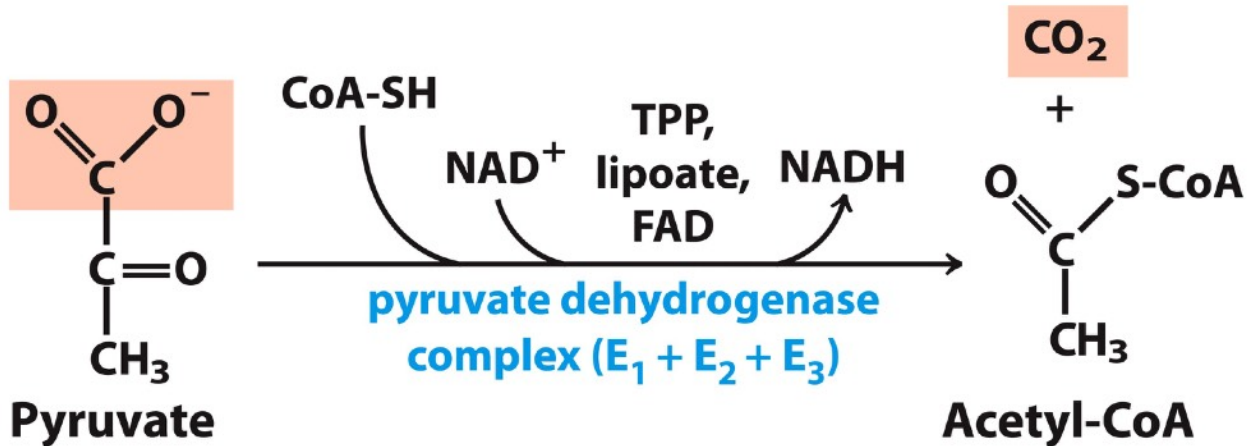


Step 6 in glycolysis. Oxidation of aldehyde to anhydride.

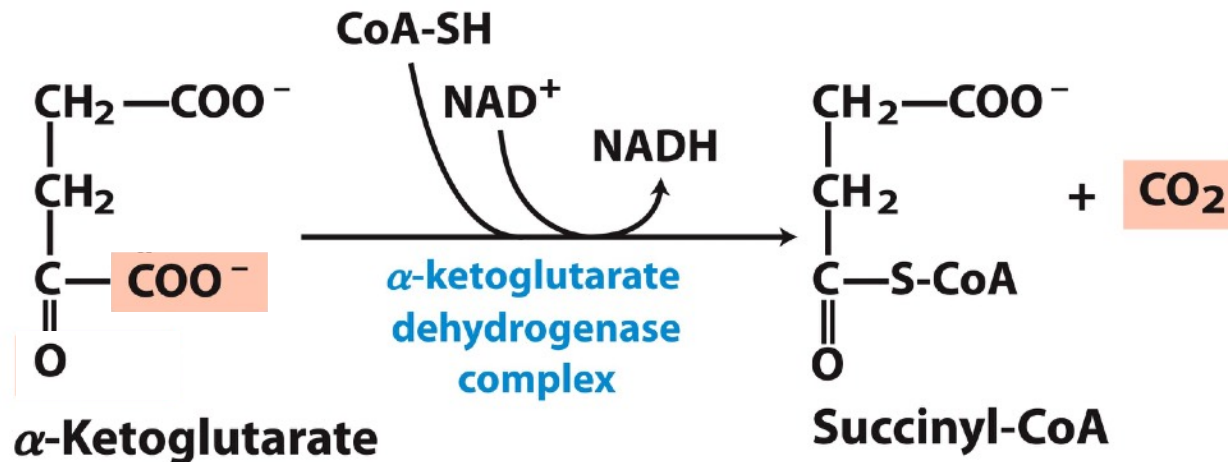


Step 1 in gluconeogenesis from lactate. Oxidation of alcohol to ketone.

# NAD<sup>+</sup> As Electron Acceptor



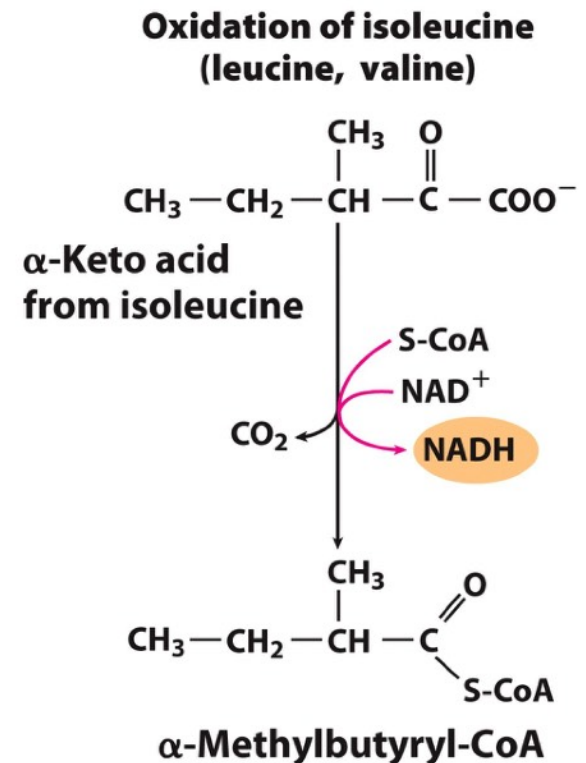
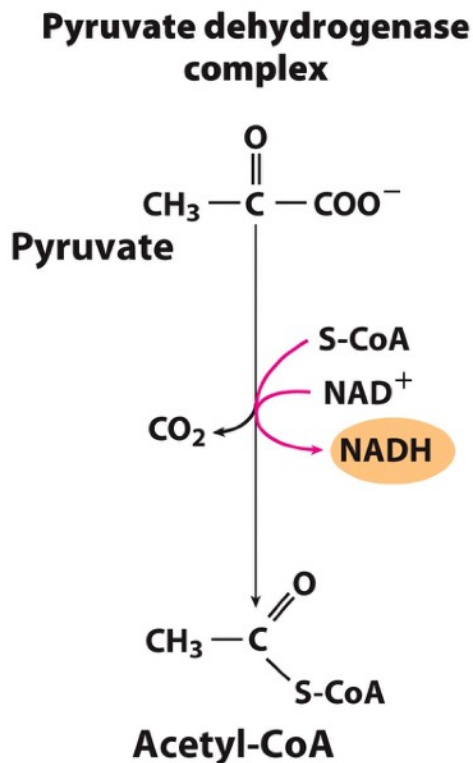
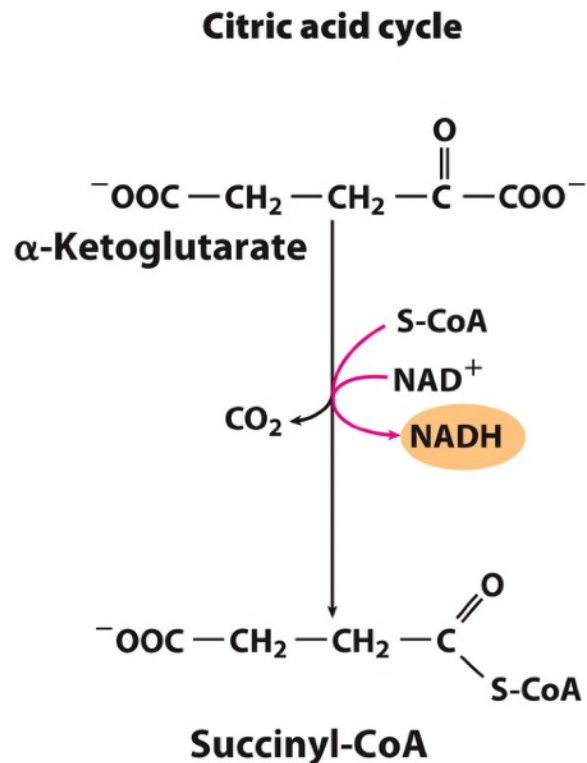
Production of acetyl-CoA from pyruvate. Oxidative decarboxylation.



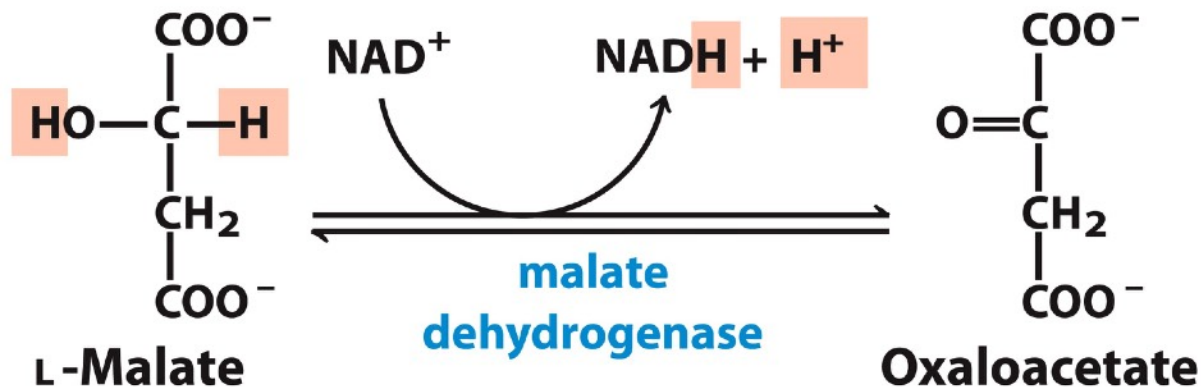
Step 4 in citric acid cycle. Oxidative decarboxylation.

# NAD<sup>+</sup> As Electron Acceptor

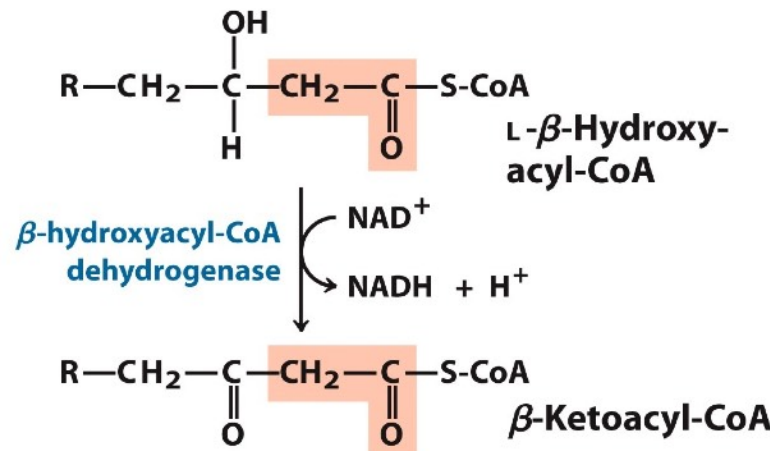
- Production of acetyl-CoA, which enters citric acid cycle
- Production of succinyl-CoA. Step 4 in citric acid cycle
- Production of acyl-CoA. Branched-chain amino acid oxidation



# NAD<sup>+</sup> As Electron Acceptor

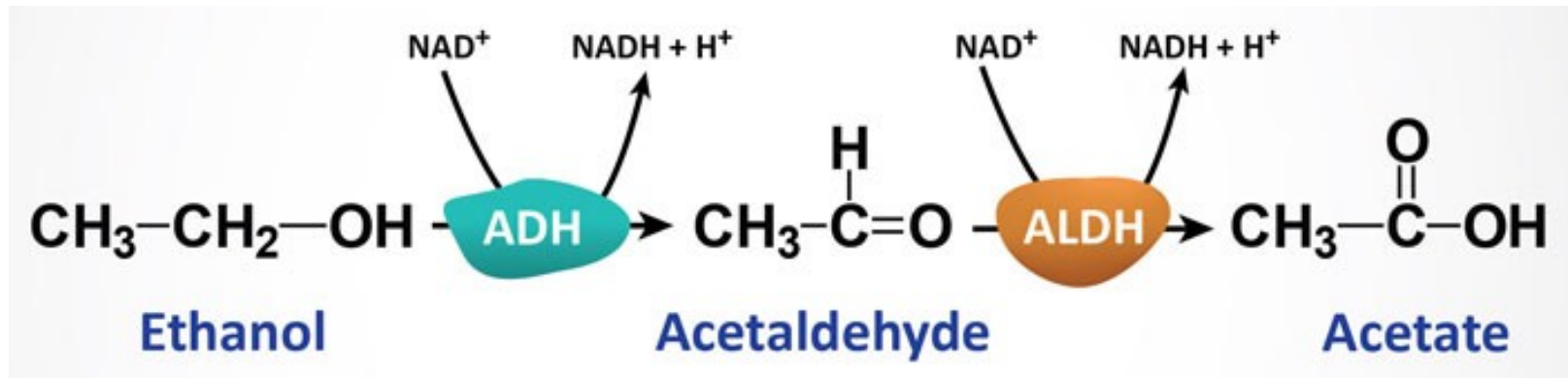


Step 8 in citric acid cycle. Oxidation of alcohol to ketone.



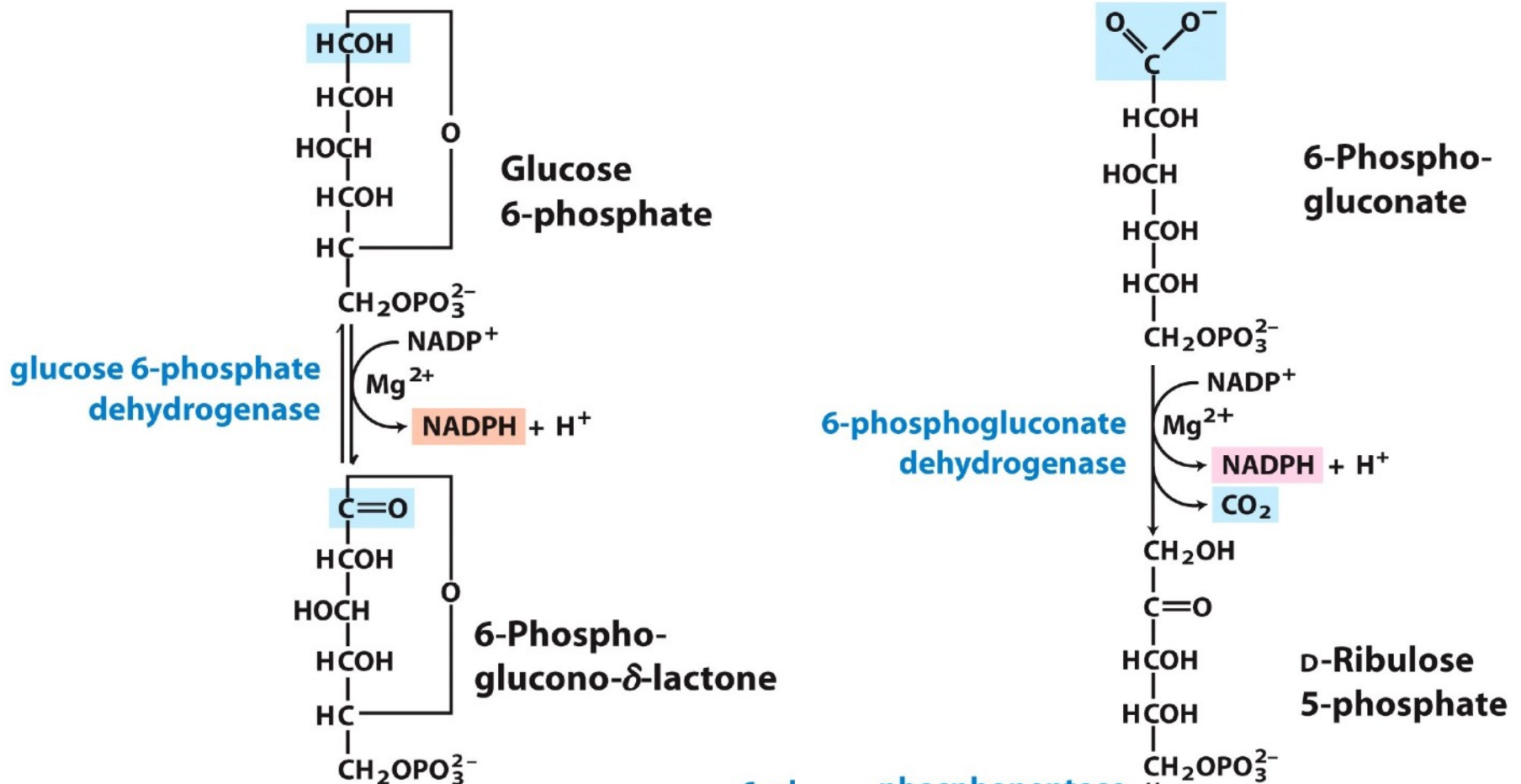
Step 3 in fatty acid β-oxidation. Oxidation of alcohol to ketone.

# NAD<sup>+</sup> As Electron Acceptor



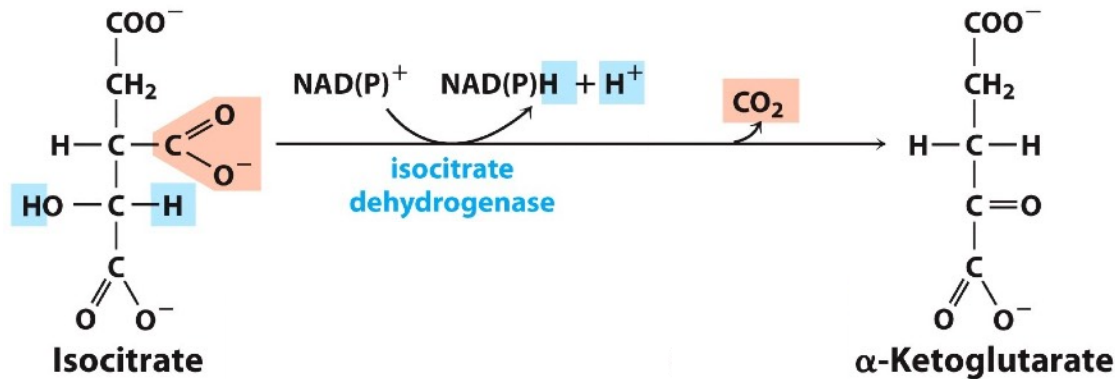
- Alcohol dehydrogenase.
  - Oxidation of alcohol to aldehyde.
- Acetaldehyde dehydrogenase.
  - Oxidation of aldehyde to carboxylic acid.

# NADP<sup>+</sup> As Electron Acceptor

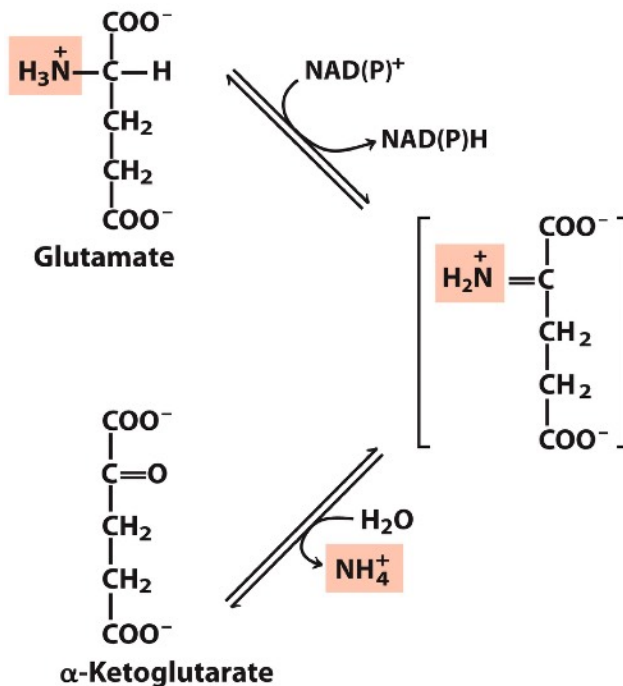


- Step 1 and step 3 in pentose phosphate pathway.
  - Step 1: oxidation of alcohol to ketone.
  - Step 3: oxidative decarboxylation.

# NAD<sup>+</sup> or NADP<sup>+</sup> As Electron Acceptor

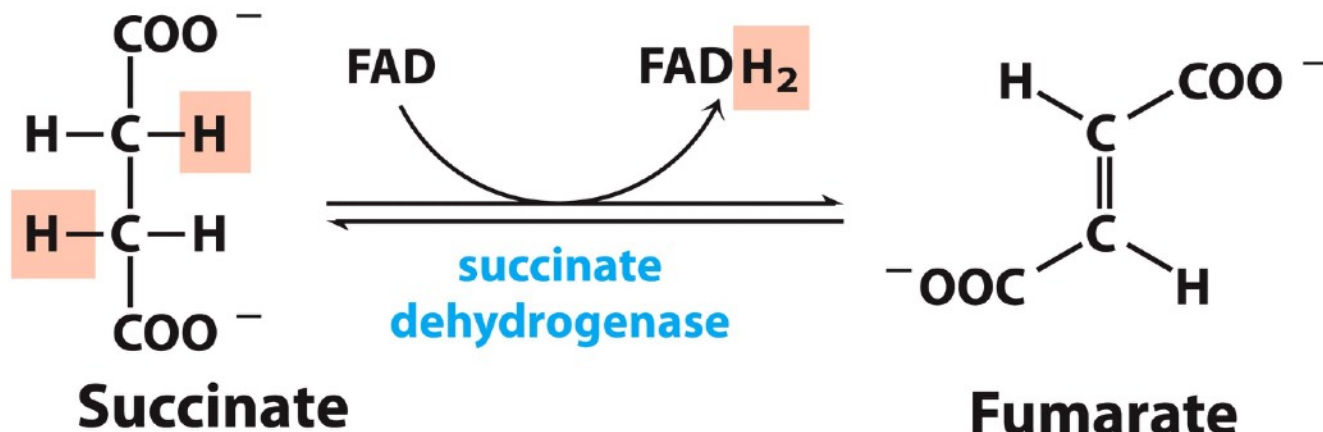


Step 3 in citric acid cycle. Oxidative decarboxylation.

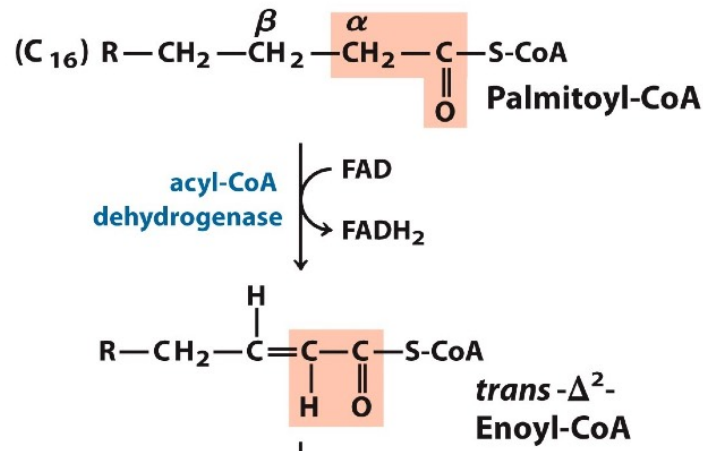


Oxidative deamination in amino acid catabolism.

# FAD As Electron Acceptor



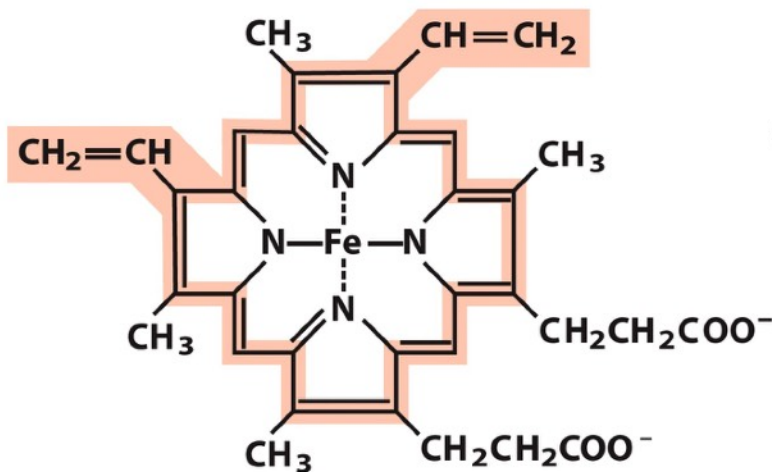
Step 6 in citric acid cycle. Oxidation of alkane to alkene.



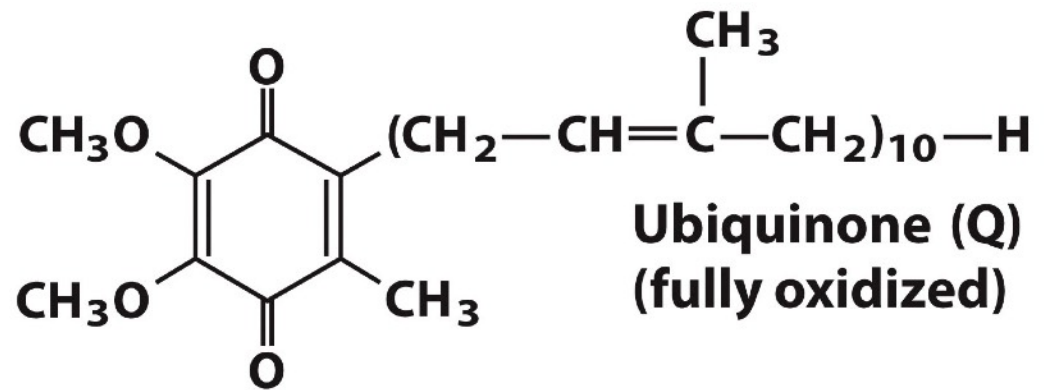
Step 1 in fatty acid  $\beta$ -oxidation. Oxidation of alkane to alkene.

# A Series of Electron Carriers

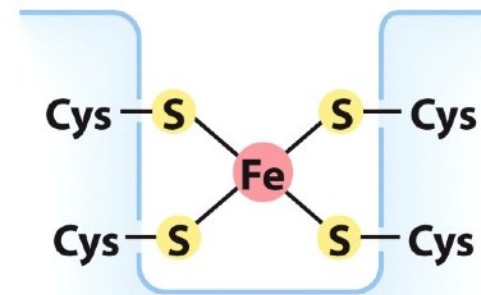
- In addition to NAD and flavoproteins, three other types of electron-carrying molecules function in respiratory chain.
  - Hydrophobic ubiquinone (coenzyme Q, or Q).
  - Iron-containing protein cytochrome.
  - Iron-sulfur protein.



Iron protoporphyrin IX  
(in *b*-type cytochromes)



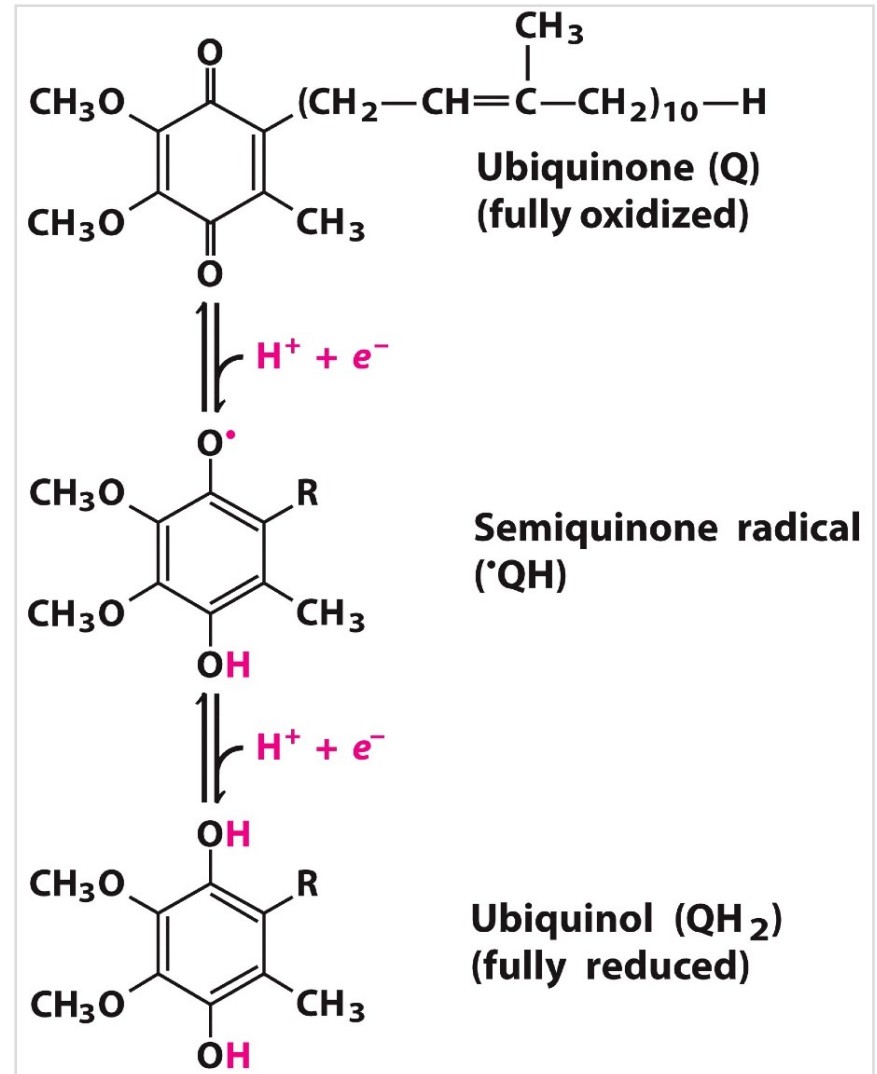
Ubiquinone (Q)  
(fully oxidized)



Protein

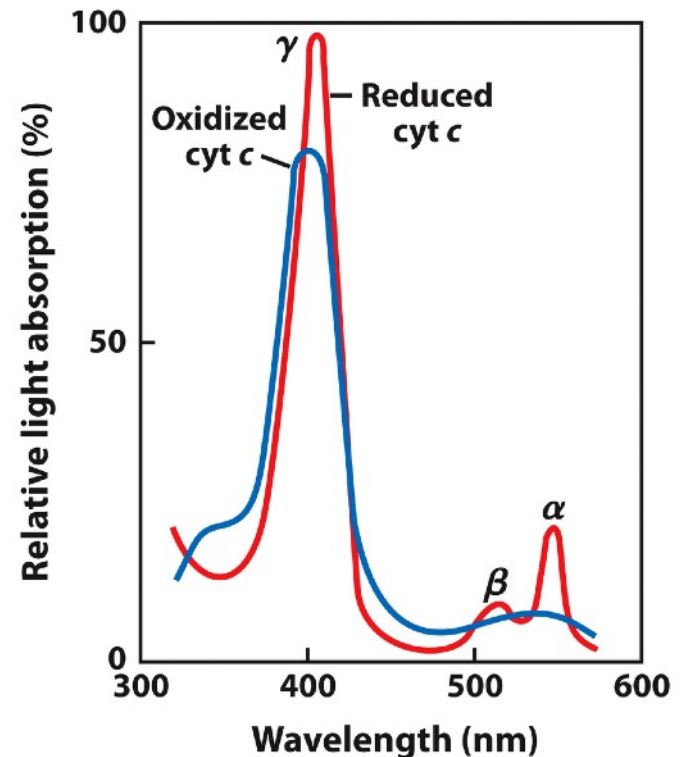
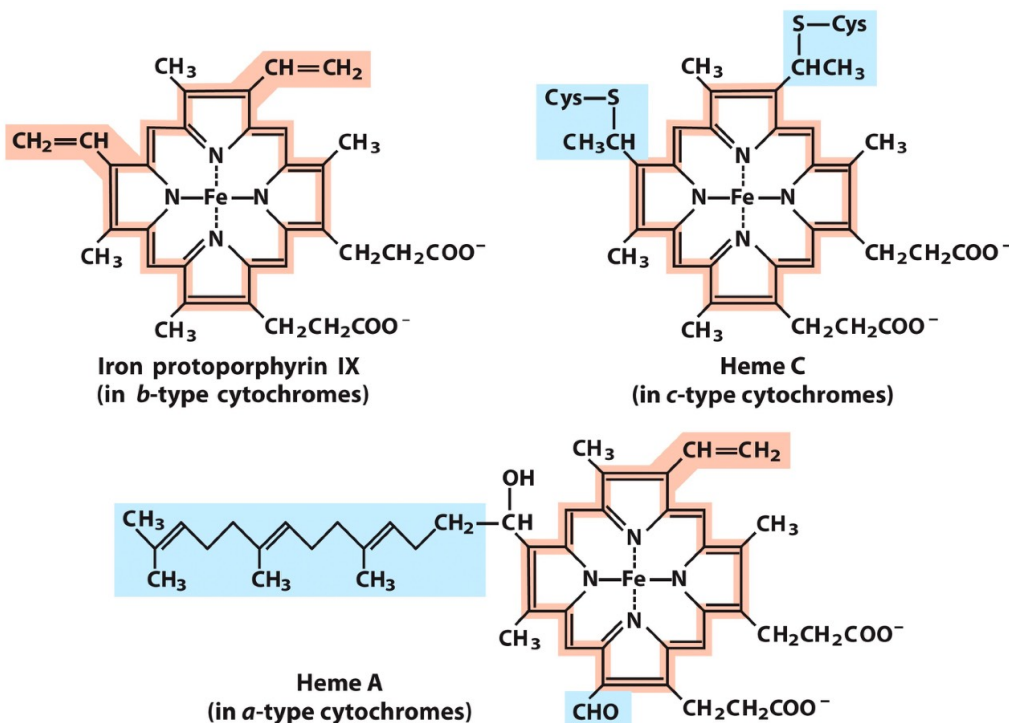
# Ubiquinone (1 or 2 Electron Carrier)

- A dicarbonyl compound. Also called coenzyme Q, or simply Q.
- Can accept two electrons to form ubiquinol.
  - Ending with -one means “ketone”.
  - Ending with -ol means “alcohol”.
- Small and hydrophobic.
  - Freely diffusible across inner membrane of mitochondria.
  - Shuttle reducing equivalent.



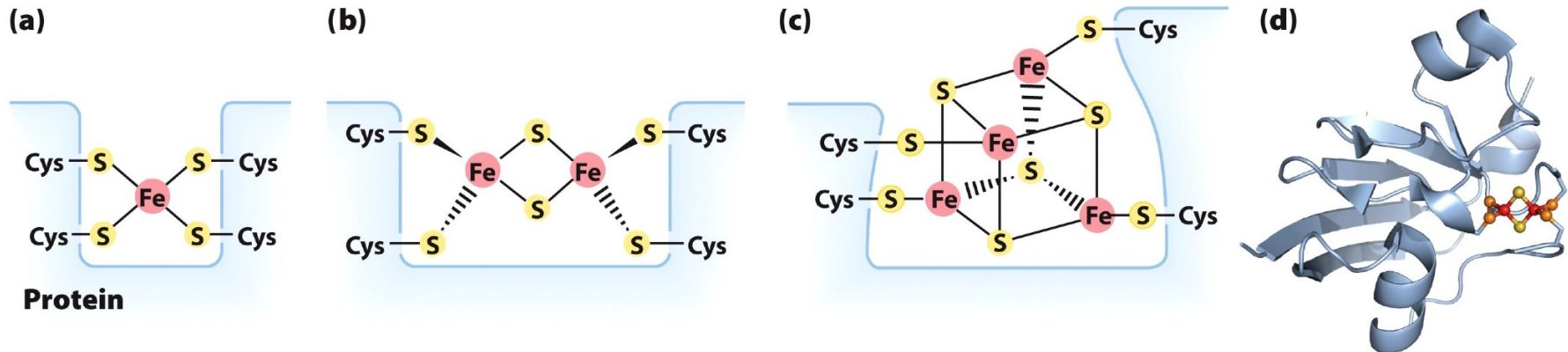
# Cytochrome (1 Electron Carrier)

- Proteins with strong absorption of visible light.
  - Iron-containing heme prosthetic group.
- Three classes based on light-absorption spectrum (three peaks).
  - Cytochrome a. Longest wavelength band near 600 nm. Noncovalent.
  - Cytochrome b. Longest wavelength band near 560 nm. Noncovalent.
  - Cytochrome c. Longest wavelength band near 550 nm. Covalent.



# Iron-Sulfur Cluster (1 Electron Carrier)

- Iron is associated with sulfur atoms.
  - Inorganic sulfur atoms.
  - Sulfur atoms of Cys residues in protein.
  - NOT associated with heme.
- Simple and complex iron-sulfur clusters.
  - One Fe surrounded by S atoms of four Cys residues.
  - 2Fe-2S and 4Fe-4S include both inorganic and Cys S atoms.
  - In these names, only inorganic S atoms are counted.



# Electron Carriers in Multienzyme Complex

- Complex I.
  - Catalyzes electron transfer from NADH to ubiquinone.
- Complex II.
  - Catalyzes electron transfer from succinate to ubiquinone.
- Complex III.
  - Catalyzes electron transfer from ubiquinone to cytochrome c.
- Complex IV.
  - Catalyzes electron transfer from cytochrome c to O<sub>2</sub>.

**TABLE 19-3** The Protein Components of the Mitochondrial Electron-Transfer Chain

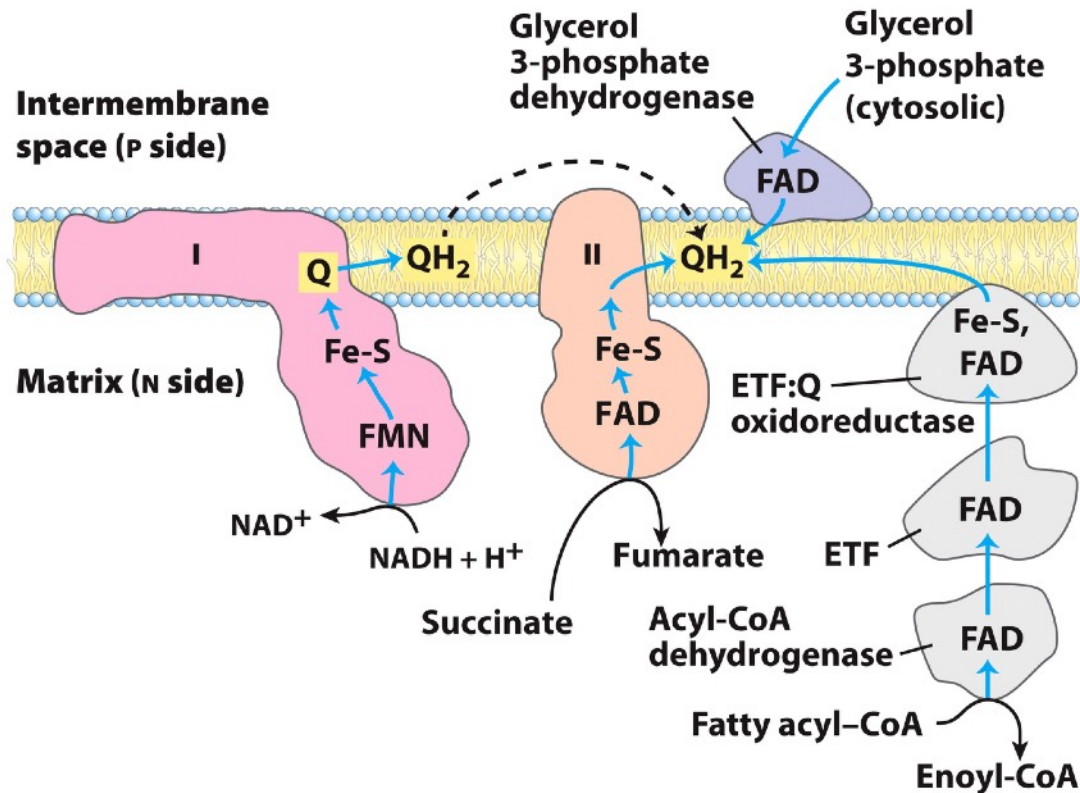
Enzyme complex/protein	Mass (kDa)	Number of subunits*	Prosthetic group(s)
I NADH dehydrogenase	850	43 (14)	FMN, Fe-S
II Succinate dehydrogenase	140	4	FAD, Fe-S
III Ubiquinone:cytochrome c oxidoreductase	250	11	Hemes, Fe-S
Cytochrome c <sup>†</sup>	13	1	Heme
IV Cytochrome oxidase	160	13 (3-4)	Hemes; Cu <sub>A</sub> , Cu <sub>B</sub>

\*Number of subunits in the bacterial equivalents in parentheses.

<sup>†</sup>Cytochrome c is not part of an enzyme complex; it moves between Complexes III and IV as a freely soluble protein.

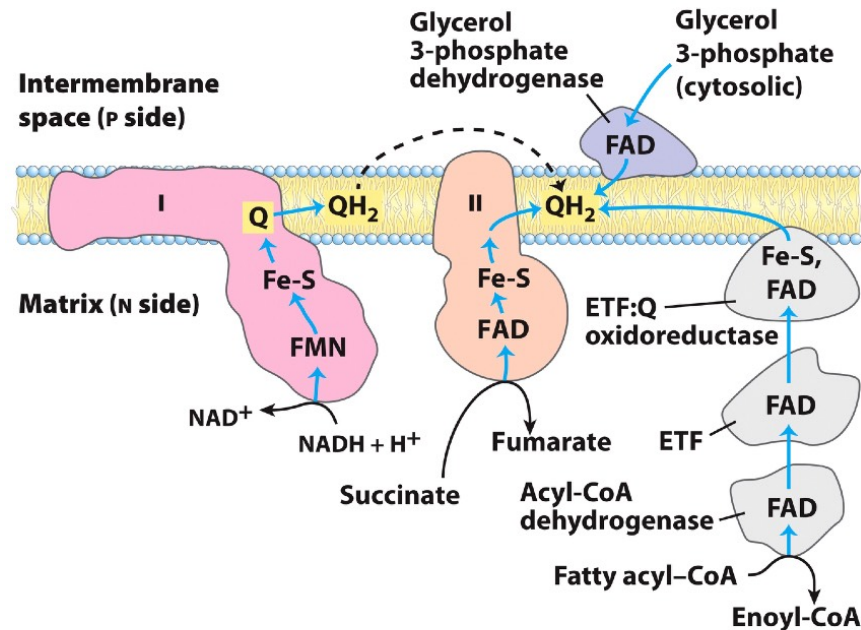
# Electrons From Fuels To Coenzyme Q

- Ubiquinone is point of entry for electrons from reactions such as:
  - Succinate oxidation (step 6 in citric acid cycle,  $\text{FADH}_2$  production).
  - Fatty acid oxidation (step 1,  $\text{FADH}_2$  production).
  - Glycerol oxidation (step 2 in how glycerol enters glycolysis,  $\text{NADH}$  production).



# Electrons From Fuels To Coenzyme Q

- Major NADH binding site in matrix side.
  - Accept NADH generated from CAC and fatty acid oxidation in mitochondrion.
- Flavoproteins and Fe-S clusters pass electrons towards Q.
  - Accept NADH generated from glycerol 3-phosphate oxidation in cytosol.
  - Accept FADH<sub>2</sub> generated from succinate oxidation in mitochondrion.
  - Accept FADH<sub>2</sub> generated from fatty acid oxidation in mitochondrion.



# Complex I: NADH To Ubiquinone

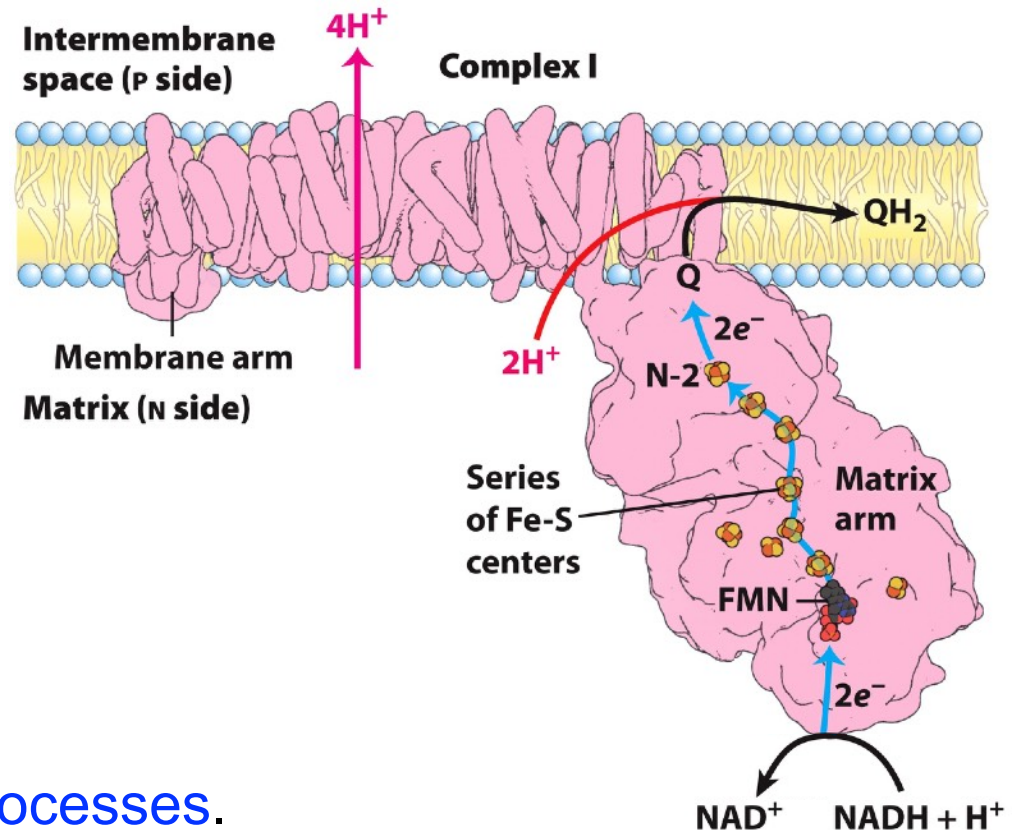
- Complex I is also called:
  - NADH dehydrogenase.
  - NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase.

- L-shaped.

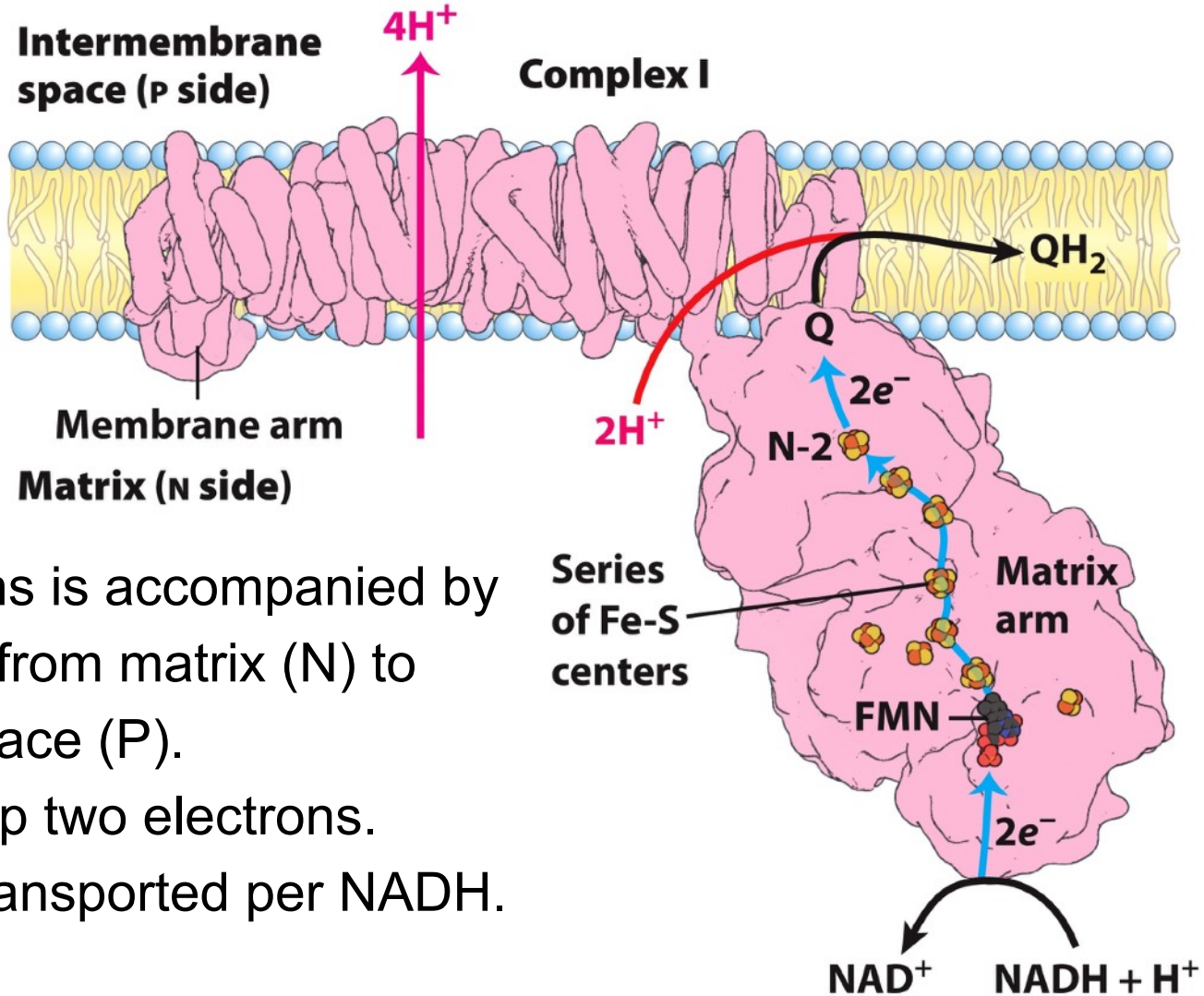
- One arm in membrane.
- The other arm extends into matrix.

- Catalyzes following **two processes**.

- $\text{NADH} + \text{H}^+ + \text{Q} \rightarrow \text{NAD}^+ + \text{QH}_2$ .
- Movement of 4 protons from matrix to inter membrane space.
- Overall reaction:  $\text{NADH} + 5\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} + \text{Q} \rightarrow \text{NAD}^+ + \text{QH}_2 + 4\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .



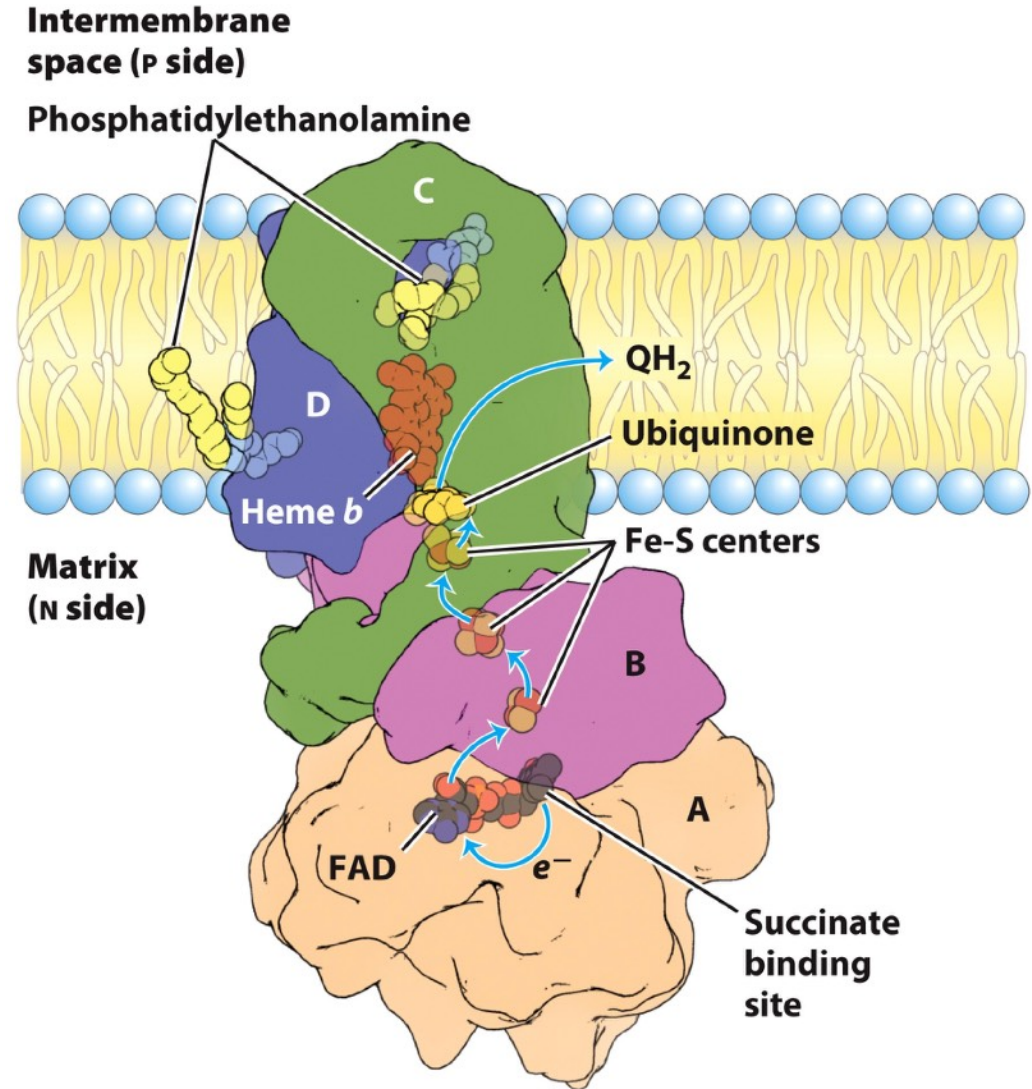
# Complex I is A Proton Pump



- Transfer of electrons is accompanied by transfer of protons from matrix (N) to inter-membrane space (P).
- Reduced Q picks up two electrons.
- Four protons are transported per NADH.

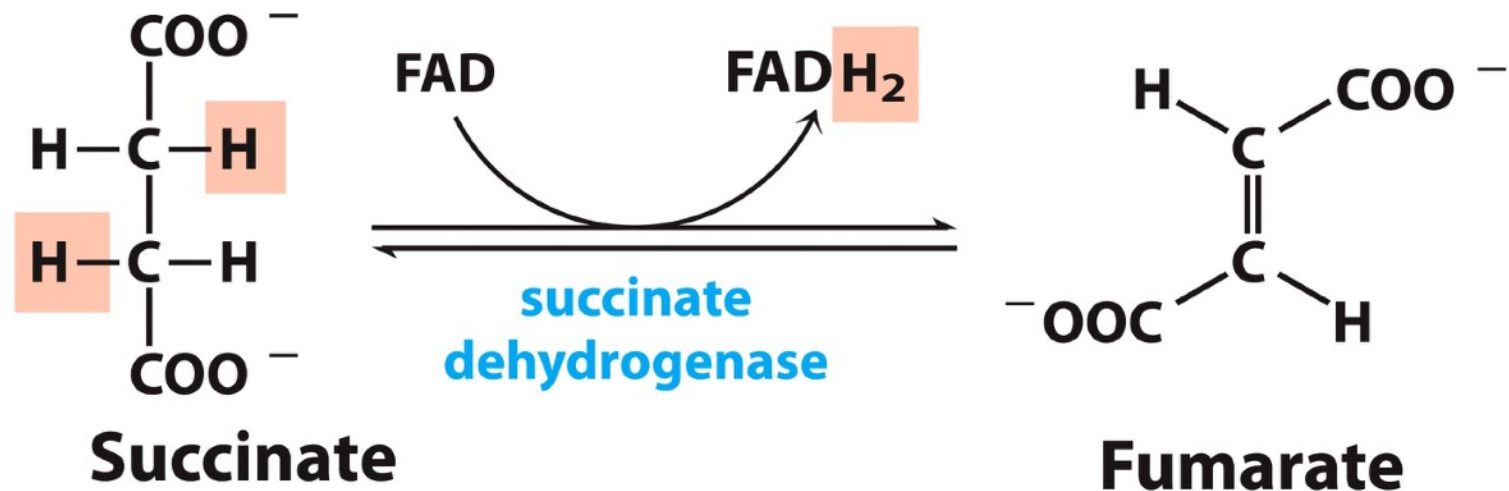
# Complex II: Succinate to Ubiquinone

- Complex II.
  - Succinate dehydrogenase.
  - Step 6 enzyme in CAC.
  - Membrane-bound.
- Four subunits.
  - A and B extend into matrix.
  - C and D are integral membrane proteins.
- Five prosthetic groups.
  - FAD in A subunit.
  - 3 Fe-S clusters in B subunit.
  - Q bound to B subunit.



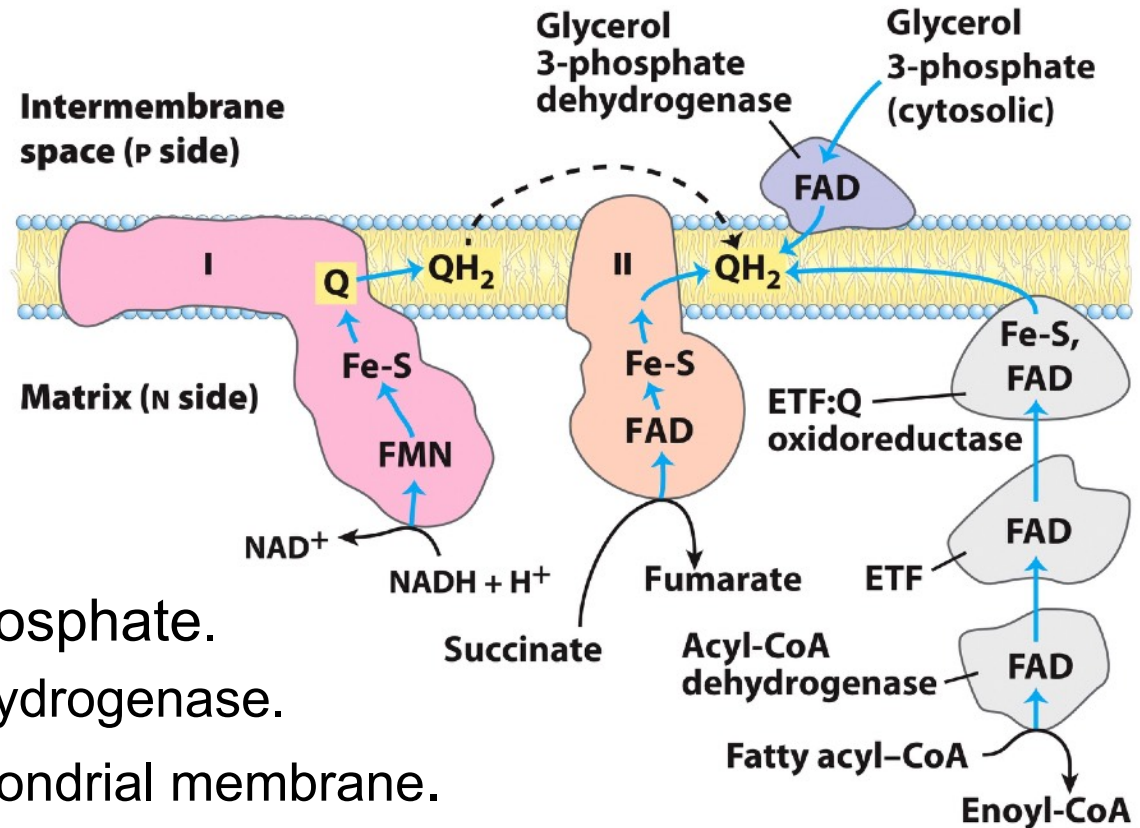
# Complex II Does Not Transport Protons

- FAD accepts two electrons from succinate.
- Electrons are passed, via Fe-S clusters, to ubiquinone, which becomes reduced QH<sub>2</sub>.
- Does not involve movement of protons like complex I.



# Other Substrates Pass Electrons To Q

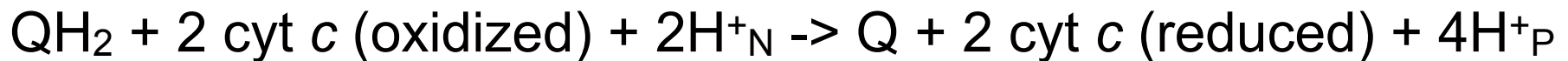
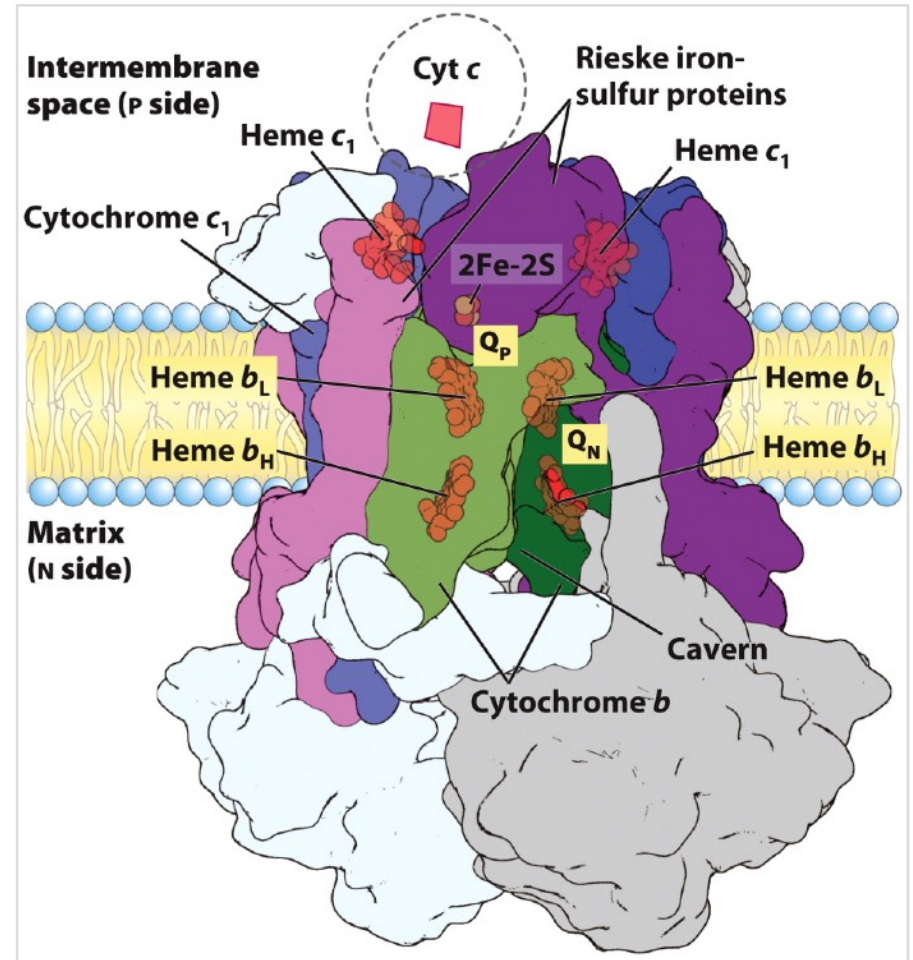
- 1<sup>st</sup> Step in  $\beta$  oxidation of fatty acyl-CoA.
  - Acyl-CoA dehydrogenase.
  - Electrons transfer from substrate to FAD.
  - Electrons transfer from FADH<sub>2</sub> to ubiquinone.



- Oxidation of glycerol 3-phosphate.
  - Glycerol 3-phosphate dehydrogenase.
  - Outer face of inner mitochondrial membrane.
  - Electrons transfer from substrate to NADH, and to respiratory chain by reducing Q.

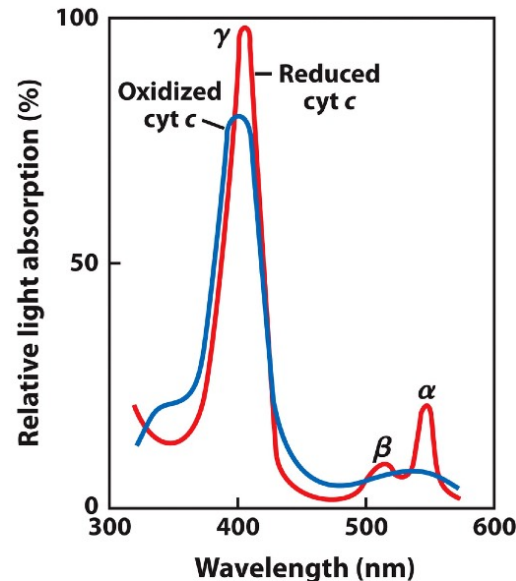
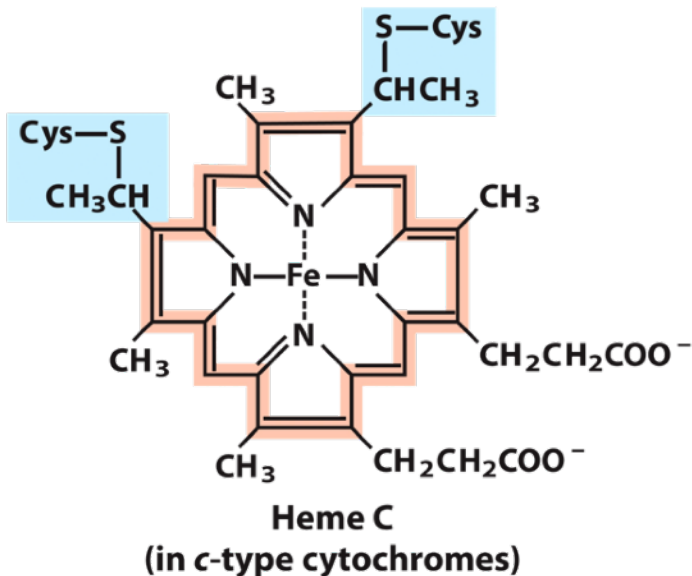
# Complex III: Ubiquinone to Cytochrome c

- Complex III.
  - Ubiquinone:cytochrome *c* oxidoreductase.
  - cytochrome *bc*<sub>1</sub> complex.
- Transfer of electrons from ubiquinone to cytochrome *c*.
  - QH<sub>2</sub> is oxidized to Q.
  - Two cytochrome *c* are reduced.
- Transport of protons from matrix to inter-membrane space.
  - Uptake of 2 protons on N side.
  - Release of 4 protons on P side.



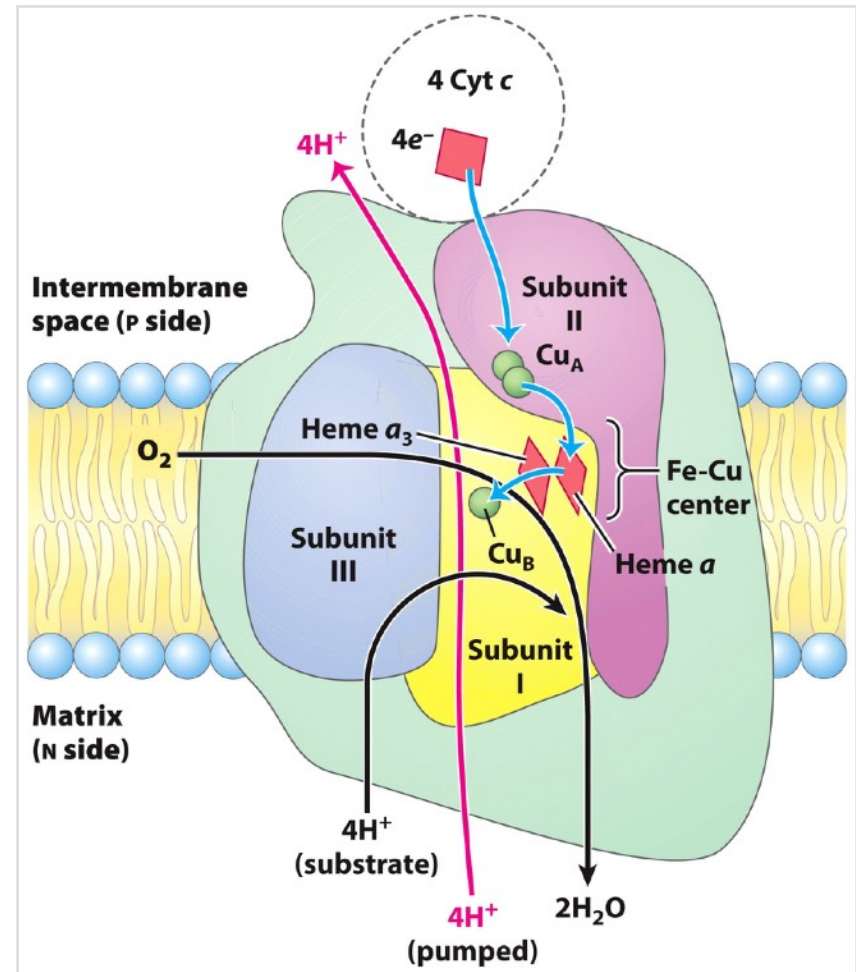
# Cytochrome c

- 2<sup>nd</sup> mobile electron carrier (1<sup>st</sup> one is ubiquinone).
- A soluble heme-containing protein in the inter-membrane space.
  - Iron can be either ferrous ( $\text{Fe}^{3+}$ , oxidized) or ferric ( $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ , reduced).
  - Carry a single electron from complex III to complex IV.
- Have intense red color due to strong absorption at 400 nm (blue).



# Complex IV: Cytochrome *c* to O<sub>2</sub>

- Complex IV.
  - Cytochrome oxidase.
- Transfer of electrons from cytochrome *c* to O<sub>2</sub>.
  - 4 cytochrome *c* are oxidized.
  - 1 O<sub>2</sub> is reduced to 2 H<sub>2</sub>O.
- Transport of protons from matrix to inter-membrane space for each O<sub>2</sub> reduced.
  - Uptake of 8 protons on N side.
  - Release of 4 protons on P side.



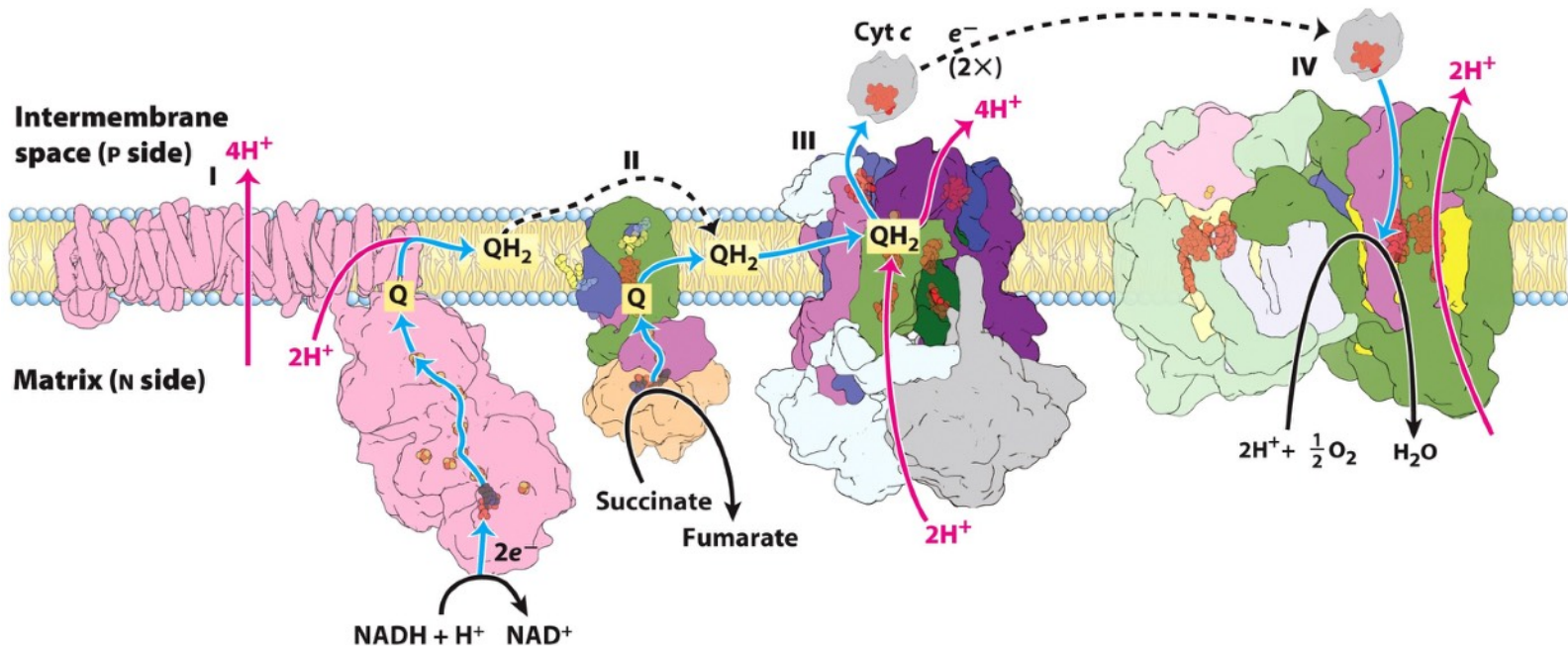
# Summary of Complex I - IV Reactions

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- Complex I.
  - NADH dehydrogenase or NADH:ubiquinone oxidoreductase.
  - $\text{NADH} + \text{Q} + 5\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{NAD}^+ + \text{QH}_2 + 4\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .
- Complex II.
  - Succinate dehydrogenase.
  - $\text{Succinate} + \text{Q} \rightarrow \text{fumarate} + \text{QH}_2$ .
- Complex III.
  - Ubiquinone:cytochrome c oxidoreductase.
  - $\text{QH}_2 + 2 \text{cyt c (oxidized)} + 2\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{Q} + 2 \text{cyt c (reduced)} + 4\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .
- Complex IV.
  - Cytochrome oxidase.
  - $4 \text{cyt c (reduced)} + \text{O}_2 + 8\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow 4 \text{cyt c (oxidized)} + 2\text{H}_2\text{O} + 4\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .
- Overall reaction from Complex I, III and IV.
  - $\text{NADH} + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2 + 11\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{NAD}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 10\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .
- Overall reaction from Complex II, III and IV.
  - $\text{FADH}_2 + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2 + 6\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{FAD} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 6\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .

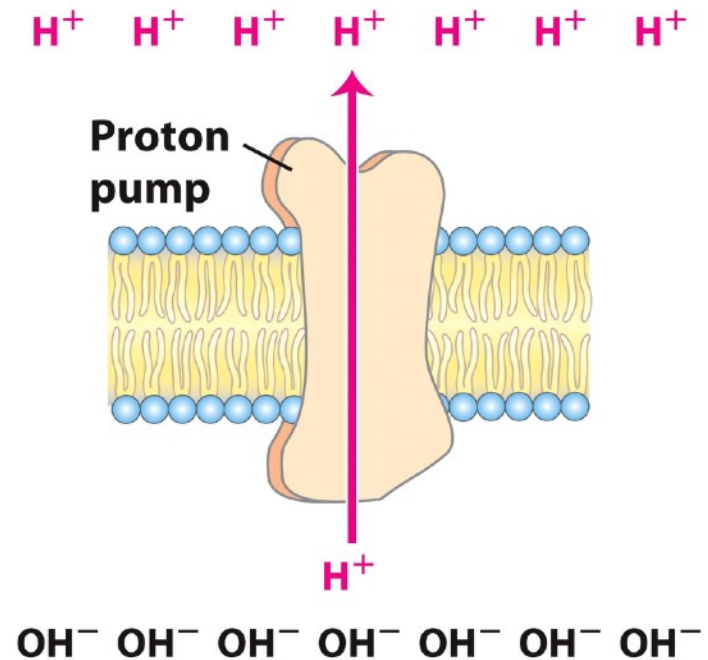
# Summary of Electron Flow

- Complex I.
  - 2 electrons from NADH to Q. 4 protons released to IMS.
- Complex II.
  - 2 electrons from FADH<sub>2</sub> to Q. No protons released to IMS.
- Complex III.
  - 2 electrons from QH<sub>2</sub> to 2 cyt c. 4 protons released to IMS.
- Complex IV.
  - 2 electrons from 2 cyt c to ½ O<sub>2</sub>. 2 protons released to IMS.



# Energy Conserved in Proton Gradient

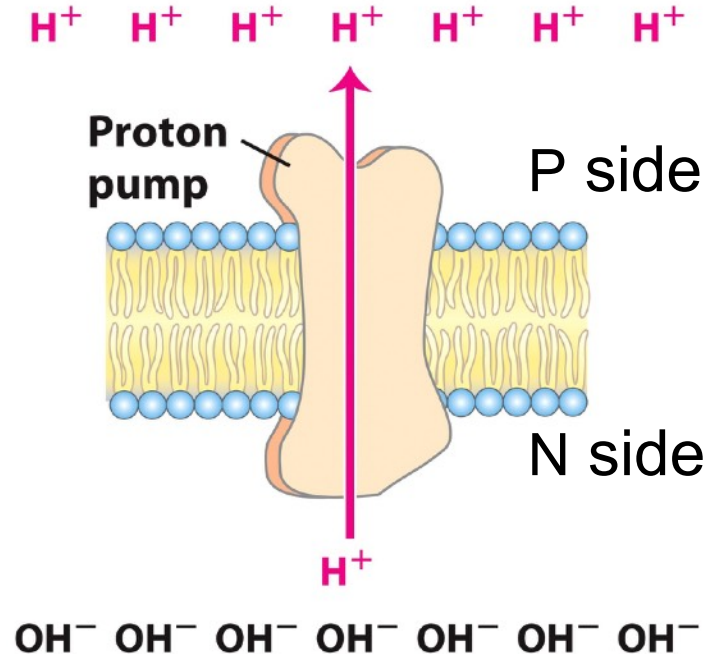
- Overall reaction (Complex I, III and IV).
  - $\text{NADH} + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2 + 11\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{NAD}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 10\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .
  - Net reaction of  $[\text{NADH} + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2 + \text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{NAD}^+ + \text{H}_2\text{O}]$  is highly exergonic.
  - Energy is used to pump protons out of matrix.
    - ▶ 4 protons are pumped out by complex I.
    - ▶ 4 protons are pumped out by complex III.
    - ▶ 2 protons are pumped out by complex IV.
- Overall reaction (Complex II, III and IV).
  - $\text{FADH}_2 + \frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2 + 6\text{H}^+_{\text{N}} \rightarrow \text{FAD} + \text{H}_2\text{O} + 6\text{H}^+_{\text{P}}$ .



- One NADH yields 2.5 ATP
- One  $\text{FADH}_2$  yields 1.5 ATP

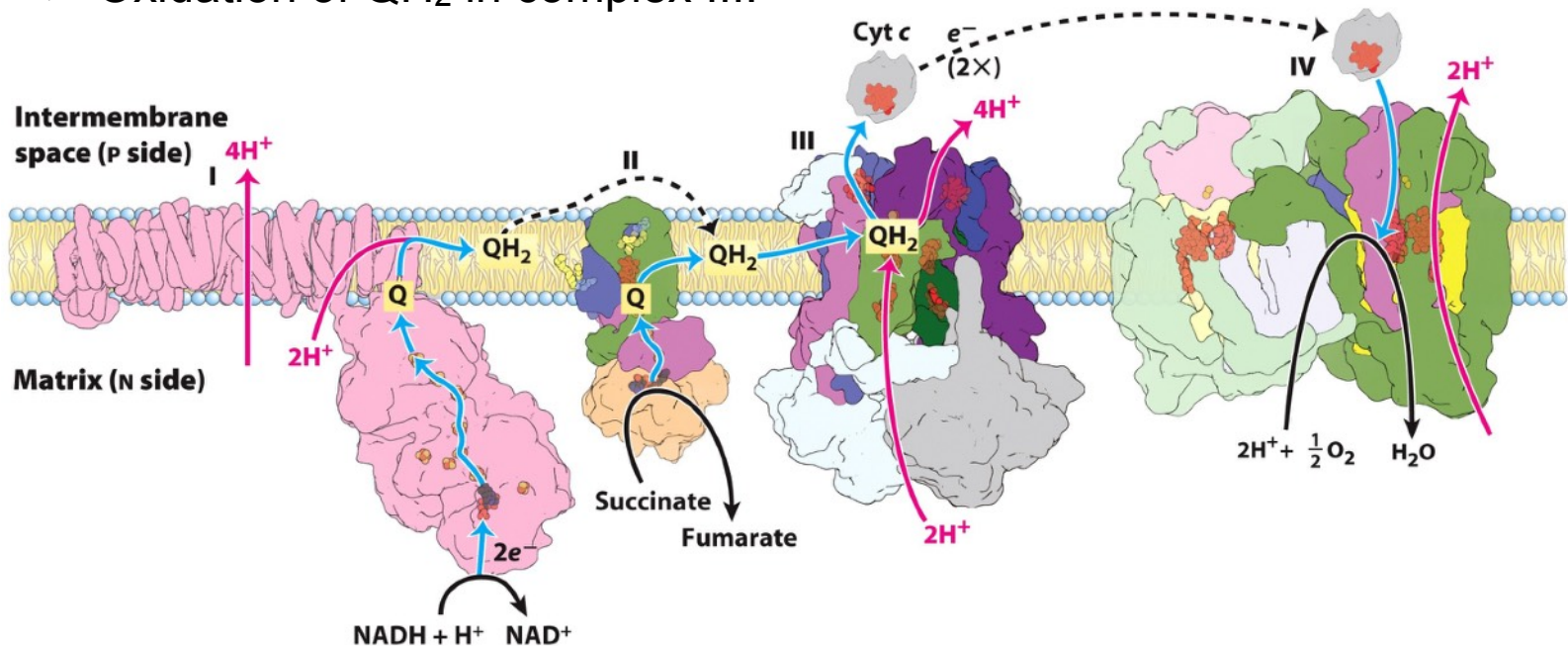
# Proton-Motive Force

- Energy stored in proton gradient has two components.
  - Chemical potential energy.
    - ▶ Due to difference in concentration of a chemical species ( $H^+$ ) across membrane.
  - Electrical potential energy.
    - ▶ Resulted from movement of protons across membrane without counterions.



# How to Create A Proton Gradient

- Proteins in electron-transport chain created the electrochemical proton gradient by one of three means:
  - Actively transport protons across membrane.
    - ▶ Complex I and complex IV.
  - Chemically remove protons from the matrix.
    - ▶ Reduction of Q (complex I and III) and reduction of oxygen (complex IV).
  - Release protons into the inter-membrane space.
    - ▶ Oxidation of QH<sub>2</sub> in complex III.



# Summary 19.1 Electron-Transfer Reactions

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- In chemiosmotic theory, energy of electron transfer is conserved by pumping of protons across membrane, producing an electrochemical gradient.
- Electrons are passed from NADH to ubiquinone (1<sup>st</sup> mobile carrier) in complex I. Q passes electrons to cytochrome *c* (2<sup>nd</sup> mobile carrier) in complex III. Cytochrome *c* then passes electrons to O<sub>2</sub>, reducing it to H<sub>2</sub>O, in complex IV.
- Some electrons enter respiratory chain through alternative paths. Succinate is oxidized by complex II. Electrons from fatty acid oxidation also pass to Q.

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19.1 Electron-Transfer Reactions in Mitochondria

[19.2 ATP Synthesis](#)

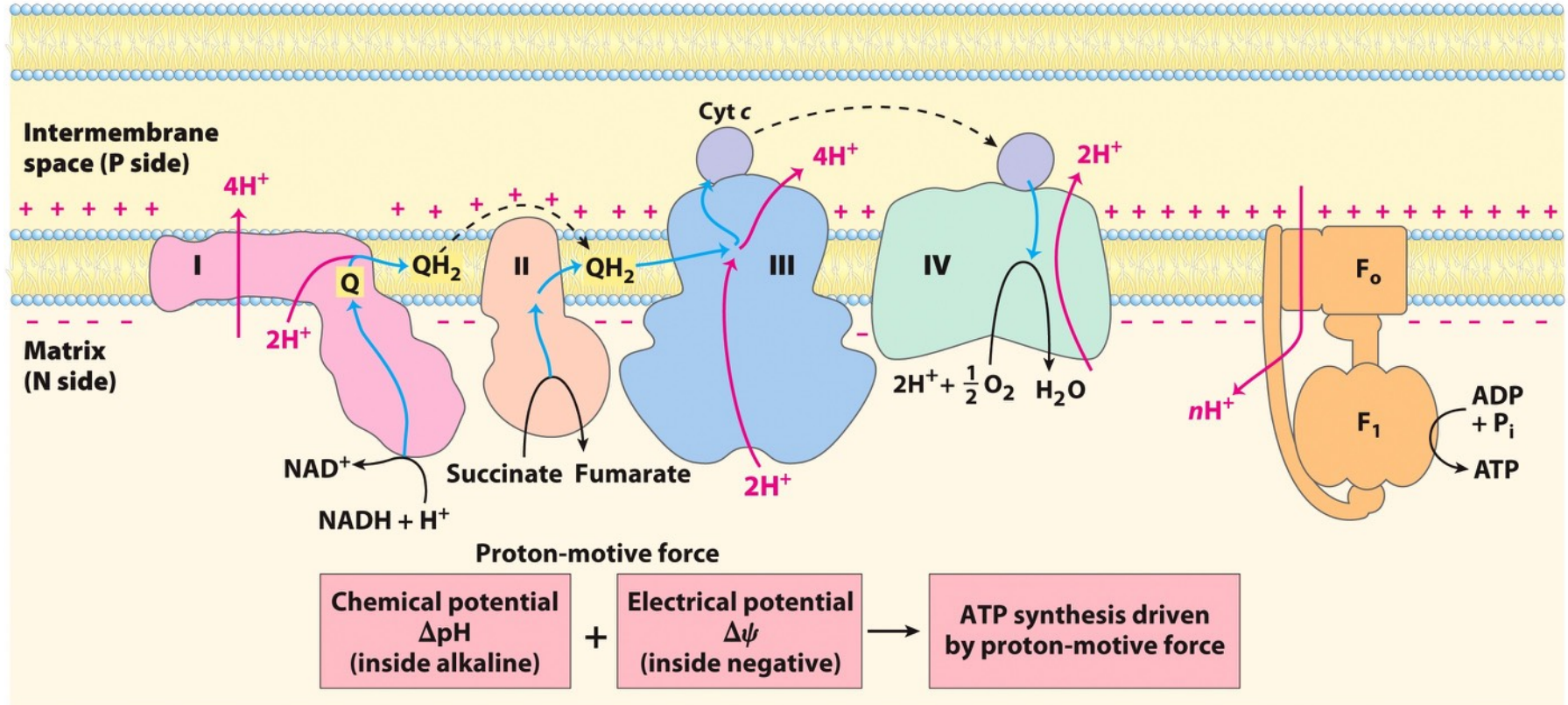
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# Chemiosmotic Model for ATP Synthesis

- Electron transport sets up a proton-motive force.
- Energy of proton-motive force drives synthesis of ATP.



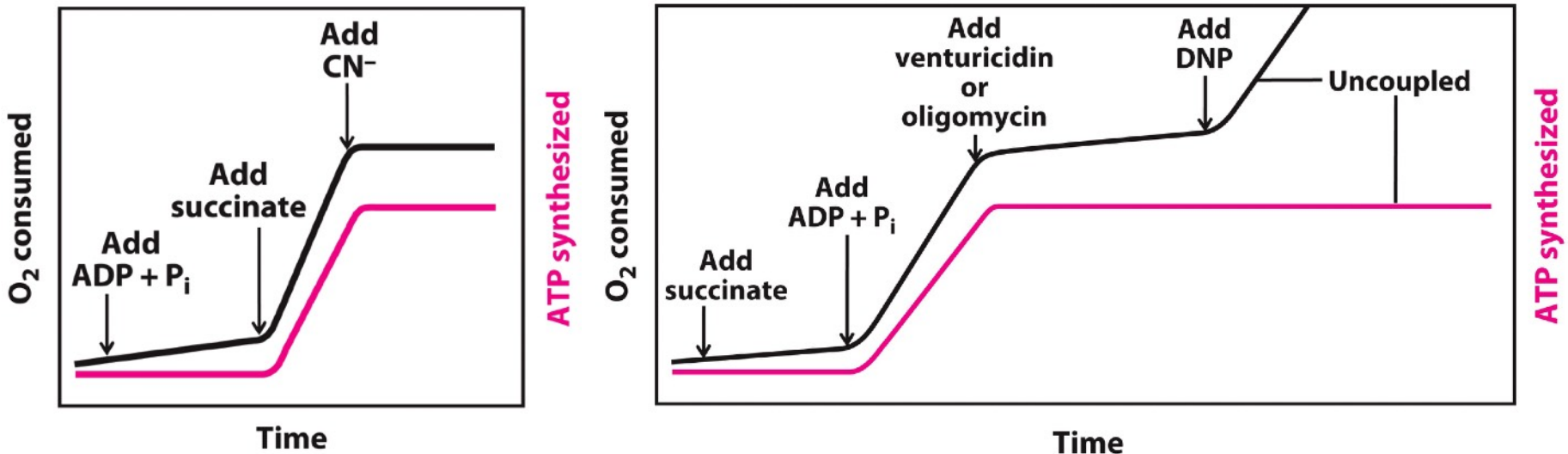
# ATP Synthase: Power Plant of Cell

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# Electron Transport - ATP Synthesis

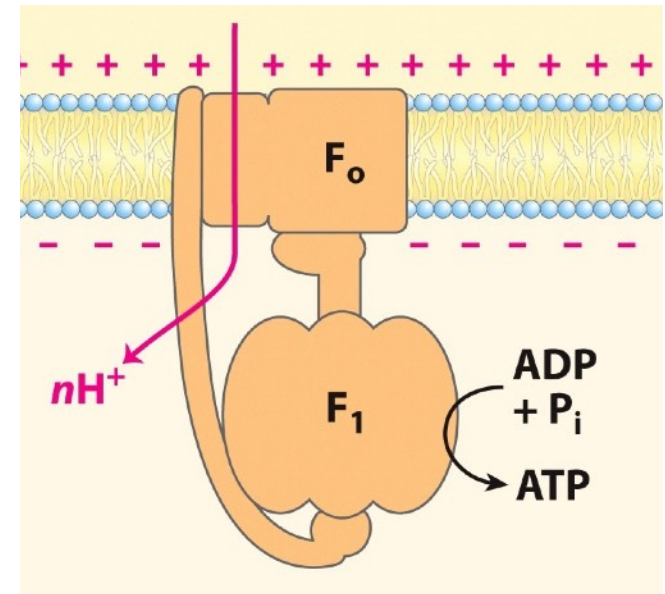
- ATP synthesis requires electron transport.
- Surprisingly, electron transport also requires ATP synthesis.



- ADP + P<sub>i</sub>: substrate for ATP synthesis.
- Succinate: source of electrons.
- Cyanide (CN<sup>-</sup>): block electron transfer between complex IV and O<sub>2</sub>.
- Venturicidin/oligomycin: inhibit ATP synthase.
- DNP: a chemical uncoupler (equilibrate [H<sup>+</sup>] across membrane).

# Mitochondrial ATP Synthase Complex

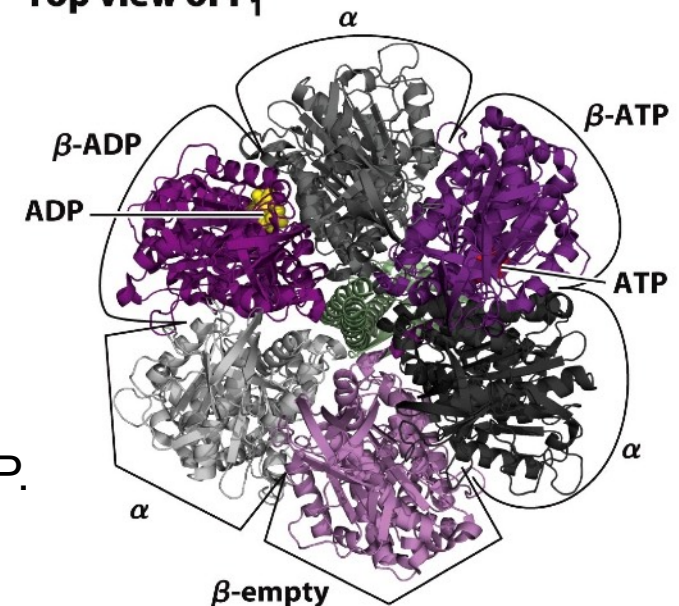
- Contain two functional units.
  - $F_1$  is a soluble protein complex in matrix.
    - ▶ First factor recognized as essential for oxidative phosphorylation.
    - ▶ Individually catalyze hydrolysis of ATP (also called  $F_1$  ATPase).
  - $F_0$  is an integral membrane protein complex.
    - ▶ Subscript letter o means it is oligomycin-sensitive.
    - ▶ Transports protons from IMS to matrix, dissipating the proton gradient.
    - ▶ Energy transferred to  $F_1$  to catalyze phosphorylation of ADP.



# F<sub>1</sub> catalyzes ADP + P<sub>i</sub> ⇌ ATP

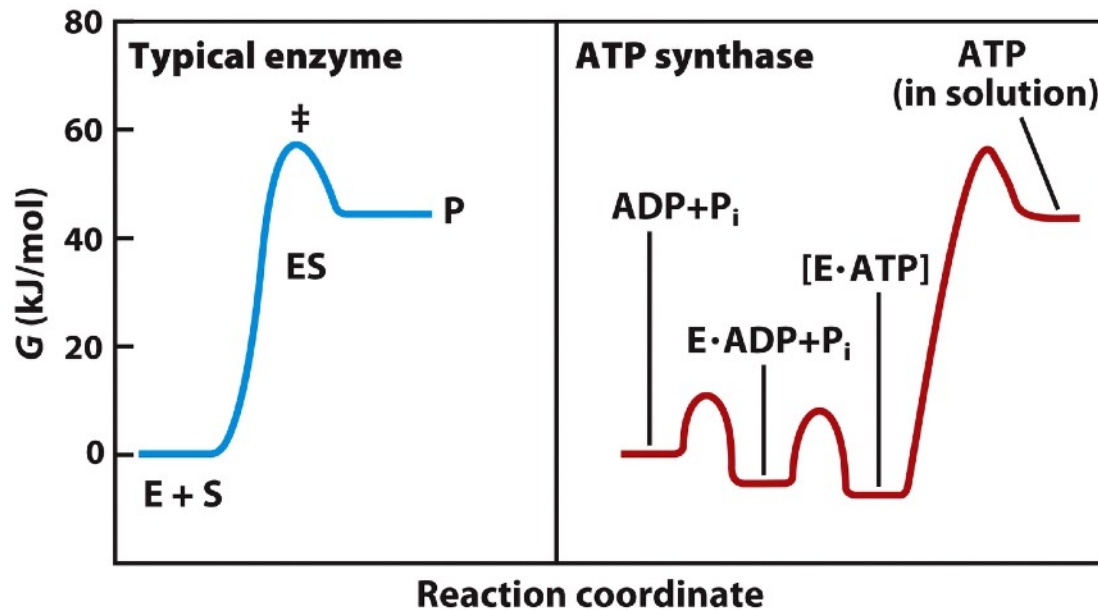
- When F<sub>1</sub> is gently removed from inner mitochondrial membrane.
  - F<sub>1</sub> catalyzes ATP hydrolysis.
  - The rest (respiratory chain + F<sub>o</sub>) catalyzes electron transfer from NADH and O<sub>2</sub> but cannot produce a proton gradient.
    - ▶ F<sub>o</sub> has a proton pore.
    - ▶ Protons leak as fast as they are pumped by electron transfer.
    - ▶ Without proton gradient, F<sub>1</sub>-depleted vesicle cannot synthesize ATP.
- F<sub>1</sub> has 9 subunits of 5 types ( $\alpha_3\beta_3\gamma\delta\varepsilon$ )
  - F<sub>1</sub> catalyzes ATP hydrolysis.
  - Hexamer arranged in three  $\alpha\beta$  dimers.
  - Dimers exist in three different conformations:
    - ▶ Open: empty
    - ▶ Loose: binds ADP and P<sub>i</sub>
    - ▶ Tight: catalyzes ATP formation and binds ATP.

Top view of F<sub>1</sub>



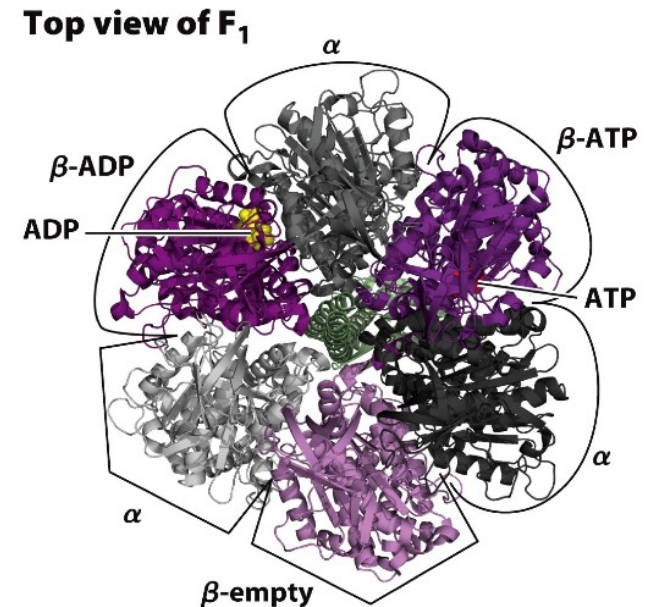
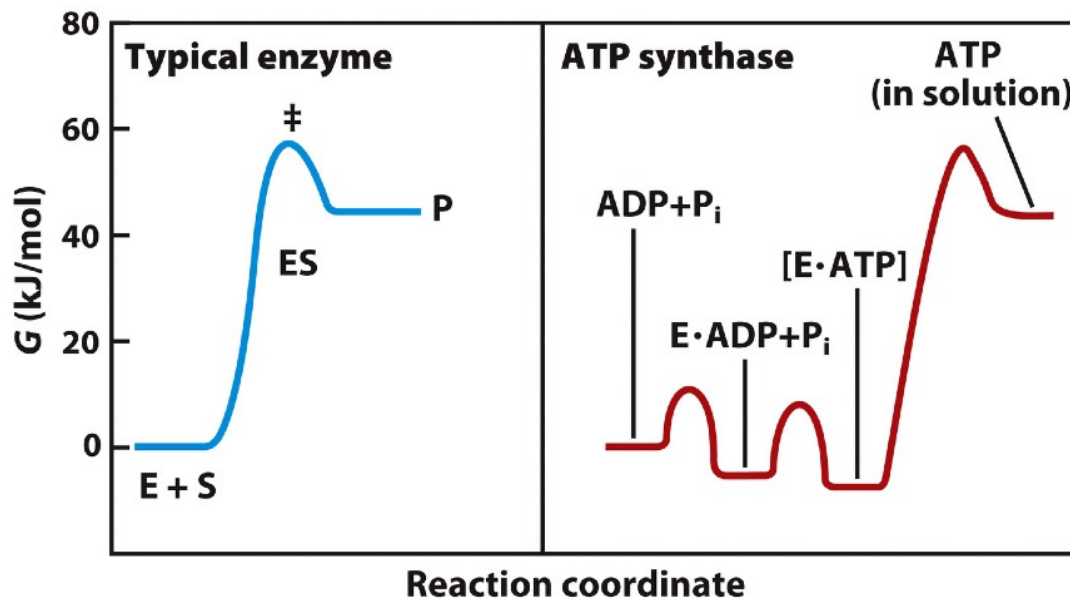
# ATP is Stabilized on F<sub>1</sub> Surface

- On F<sub>1</sub> enzyme surface, reaction  $\text{ADP} + \text{P}_i \rightleftharpoons \text{ATP}$  is reversible.
  - Free-energy change for ATP synthesis is close to zero.
  - Very different from hydrolysis of ATP free in solution.
  - ATP synthase stabilizes ATP relative to  $\text{ADP} + \text{P}_i$  by **binding ATP more tightly**, releasing enough energy to counter-balance cost of making ATP.
    - ▶ High affinity for ATP ( $K_d \leq 10^{-12}$  M).
    - ▶ Much lower affinity for ADP ( $K_d \approx 10^{-5}$  M).



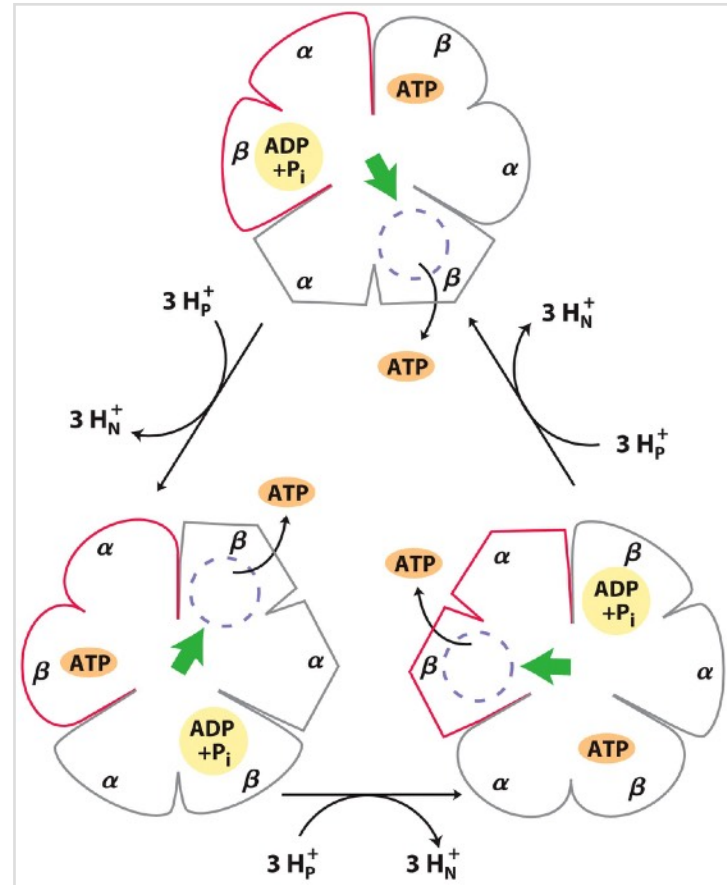
# Proton Gradient Drives Release of ATP

- In the absence of a proton gradient, ATP does not leave enzyme.
- Proton gradient causes enzyme to release newly-synthesized ATP.
  - Enzyme must cycle between at least two forms.
    - ▶ Binds ATP very tightly.
    - ▶ Releases ATP.



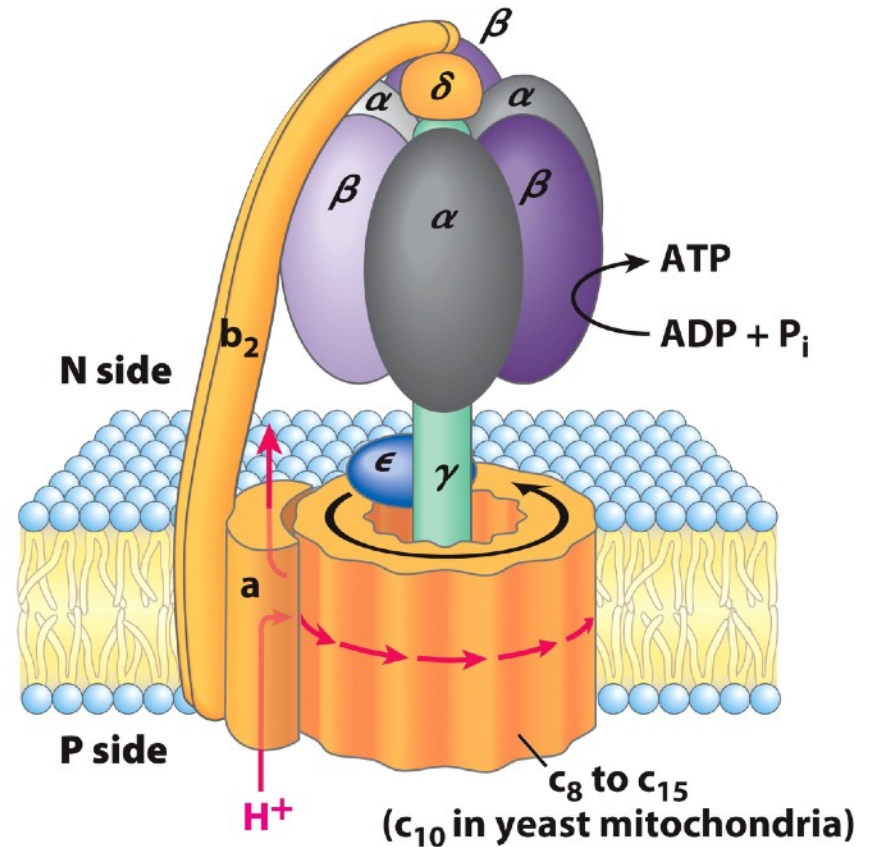
# Binding-Change Model

- $F_1$  complex has 3 ADP/ATP-binding sites, one for each  $\alpha\beta$  dimer.
- Each site has 3 conformations.
  - $\beta$ -ATP conformation binds ATP tightly.
  - $\beta$ -empty conformation binds very loosely.
  - $\beta$ -ADP conformation binds ADP loosely.
- Proton-motive force causes rotation of central  $\gamma$  subunit.
  - $\gamma$  subunit contacts  $\alpha\beta$  dimer and produces cooperative conformational change.
    - ▶  $\beta$ -ATP converted to  $\beta$ -empty. Release ATP.
    - ▶  $\beta$ -empty converted to  $\beta$ -ADP. Bind ADP loosely.
    - ▶  $\beta$ -ADP converted to  $\beta$ -ATP. Promote ATP formation.



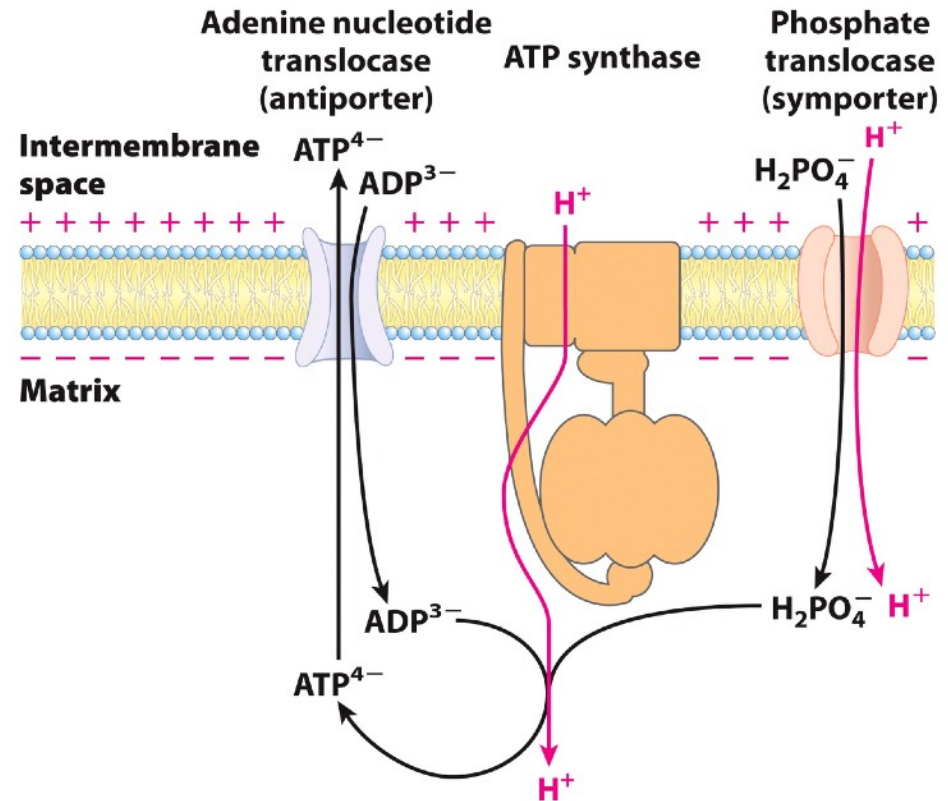
# Proton Translocation - ATP Synthesis

- $F_0$  is composed of 3 types of subunits, in the proportion of  $ab_2c_n$
- The c subunits in this ring rotate together as a unit
  - $F_1$   $\gamma$  subunit stands firmly on c ring
- Proton translocation causes rotation of c ring and  $\gamma$  subunit
  - $\gamma$  subunit rotates and contacts  $\alpha\beta$  dimer, causing a conformational change within all three  $\alpha\beta$  dimers
  - Conformational change in one of the three pairs promotes condensation of ADP and  $P_i$  into ATP



# Transport of ADP and P<sub>i</sub> into Matrix

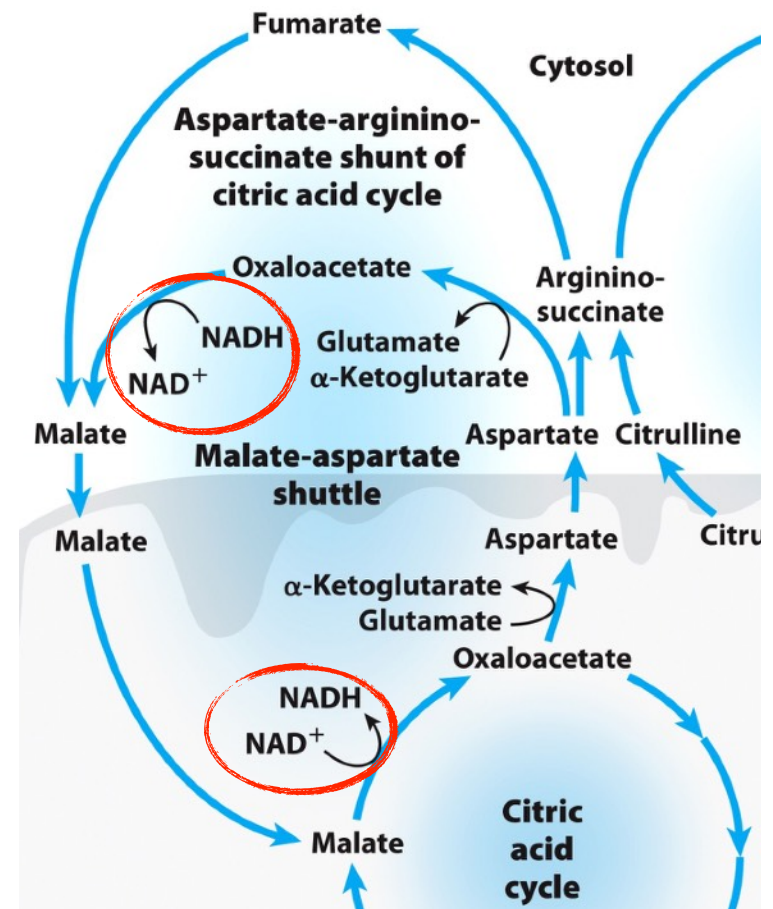
- Adenine nucleotide translocase.
  - Transport ADP<sup>3-</sup> from inter-membrane space to matrix.
  - Transport ATP<sup>4-</sup> from matrix to inter-membrane space.
  - Net transport of a negative charge from inside to outside.
    - ▶ Favored by transmembrane proton gradient.
- Phosphate translocase.
  - Transport of H<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> and H<sup>+</sup> from inter-membrane space to matrix.
    - ▶ Favored by transmembrane proton gradient.
    - ▶ Some energy of electron transfer is consumed.



# NADH Shuttle Systems

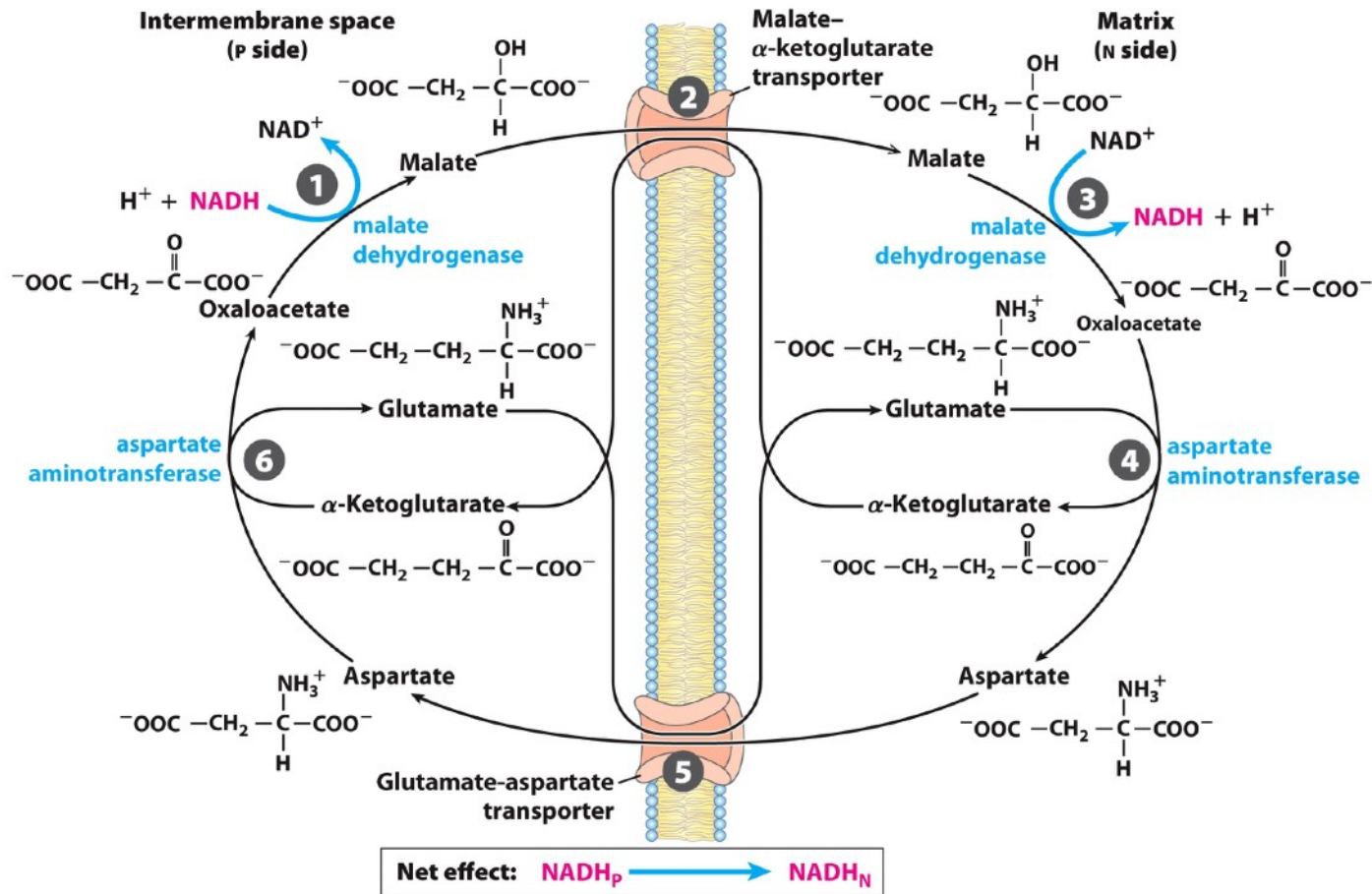
- Mitochondrial membrane NOT permeable to NADH.
- How can NADH generated by glycolysis in cytosol be transported to respiratory chain in mitochondria?
  - In cytosol.
    - ▶ Aspartate → oxaloacetate (transamination).
    - ▶ Oxaloacetate → malate (reduction, with NADH oxidized to NAD<sup>+</sup>).
    - ▶ Malate enters mitochondria.
  - In mitochondria.
    - ▶ Malate → oxaloacetate (oxidation, with NAD<sup>+</sup> reduced to NADH).
    - ▶ Oxaloacetate → aspartate (transamination).
    - ▶ Aspartate enters cytosol.

**Net Result: Cytosolic NADH becomes mitochondrial NADH.**



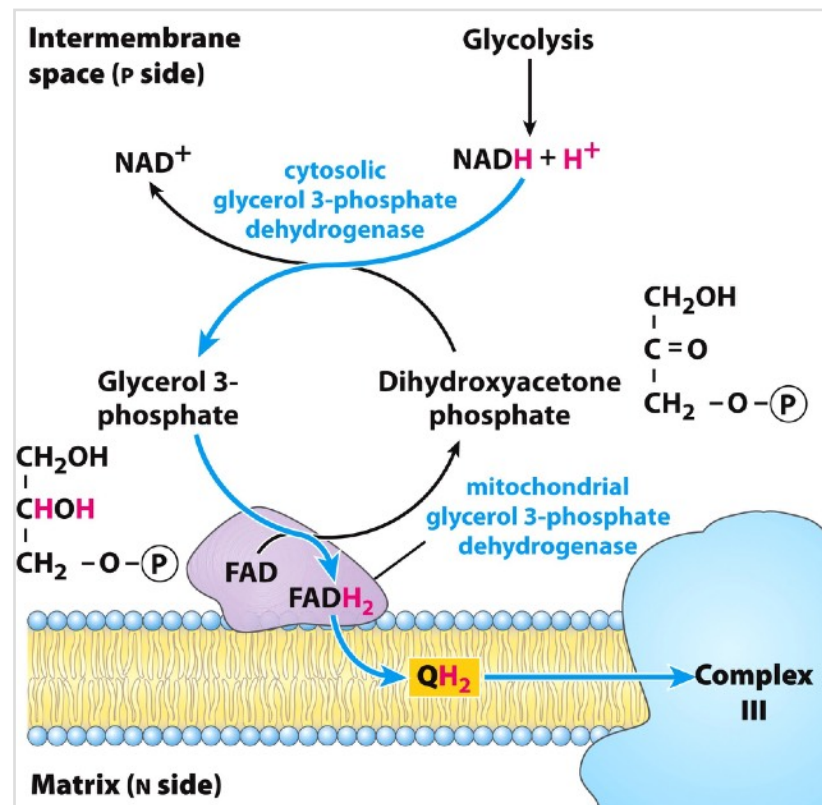
# Malate-Aspartate Shuttle

- Function in liver, kidney, and heart
- Malate- $\alpha$ -ketoglutarate transporter
- Glutamate-aspartate transporter



# Glycerol-3-Phosphate Shuttle

- Function in skeletal muscle and brain.
- Electrons are passed from NADH to Q and into complex III, not complex I.
- Provide only enough energy to synthesize 1.5 ATP molecules per NADH.



# ATP Yields from Glucose and Fatty Acid

**TABLE 19-5** ATP Yield from Complete Oxidation of Glucose

Process	Direct product	Final ATP
Glycolysis	2 NADH (cytosolic)	3 or 5*
	2 ATP	2
Pyruvate oxidation (two per glucose)	2 NADH (mitochondrial matrix)	5
Acetyl-CoA oxidation in citric acid cycle (two per glucose)	6 NADH (mitochondrial matrix)	15
	2 FADH <sub>2</sub>	3
	2 ATP or 2 GTP	2
Total yield per glucose		30 or 32

\*The number depends on which shuttle system transfers reducing equivalents into the mitochondrion.

**Net gain per glucose is 30 or 32 ATP depending on which shuttle system is used.**

**TABLE 17-1** Yield of ATP during Oxidation of One Molecule of Palmitoyl-CoA to CO<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O

Enzyme catalyzing the oxidation step	Number of NADH or FADH <sub>2</sub> formed	Number of ATP ultimately formed*	
Acyl-CoA dehydrogenase	7 FADH <sub>2</sub>	10.5	} Fatty Acid β-Oxidation
β-Hydroxyacyl-CoA dehydrogenase	7 NADH	17.5	
Isocitrate dehydrogenase	8 NADH	20	} Citric Acid Cycle
α-Ketoglutarate dehydrogenase	8 NADH	20	
Succinyl-CoA synthetase		8†	
Succinate dehydrogenase	8 FADH <sub>2</sub>	12	
Malate dehydrogenase	8 NADH	20	
Total		108	

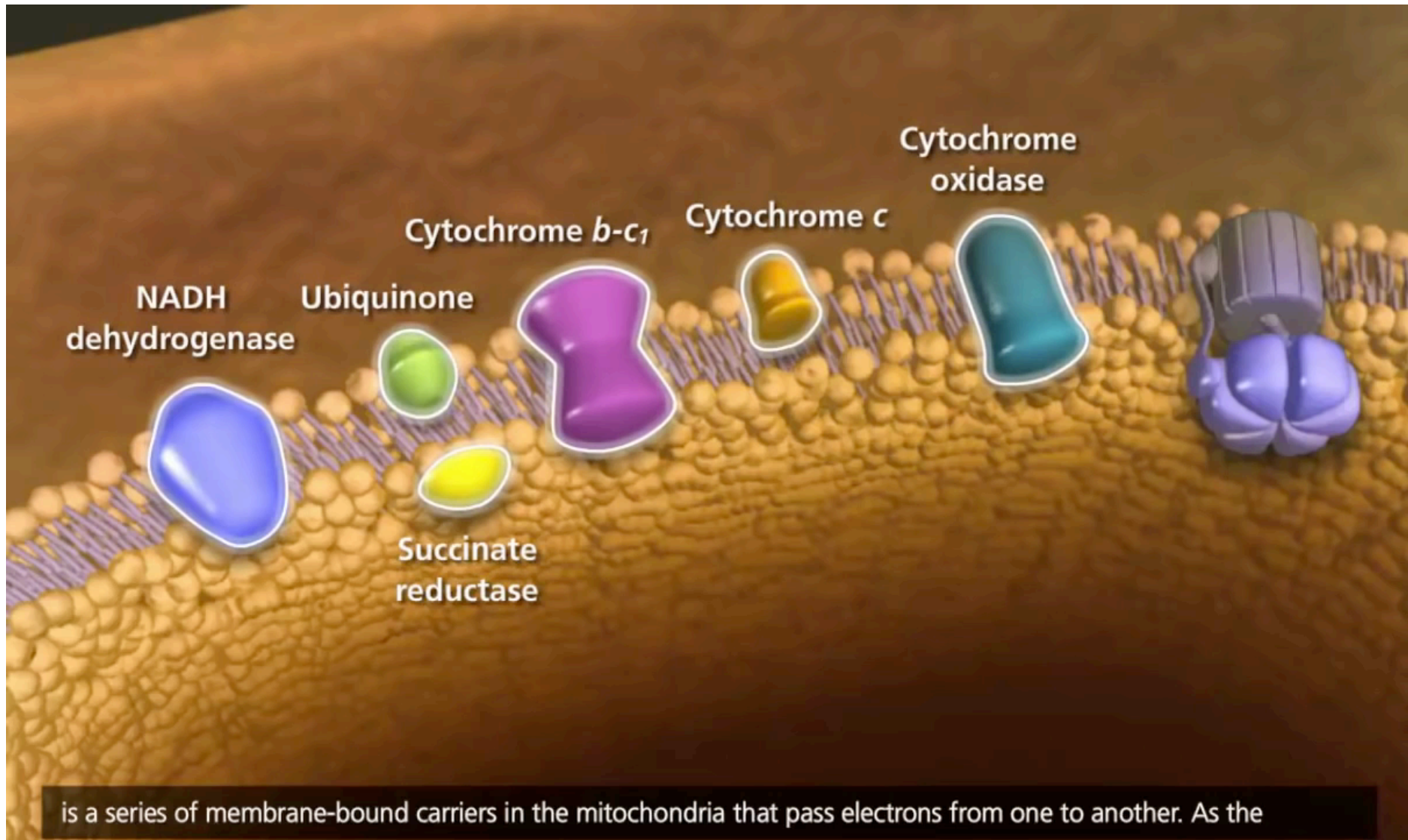
**Net gain per palmitate is 106 ATP because 2 ATPs are consumed in activation.**

# Summary 19.2 ATP Synthesis

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- Proton gradient provides energy for ATP synthesis. Flow of protons through  $F_0$  causes  $\beta$  subunit in  $F_1$  to cycle from [ADP-bound] to [ATP-bound] to [empty].
- ATP formation on ATP synthase requires little energy. Role of proton-motive force is to push ATP from its binding site on enzyme surface.
- 2.5 ATP molecules are generated per NADH when electrons enter at complex I. 1.5 ATP molecules are generated per  $FADH_2$  when electrons enter at Q.
- NADH equivalents are moved from cytosol to mitochondrial matrix by one of two shuttle systems.

# Summary of Cellular Respiration



is a series of membrane-bound carriers in the mitochondria that pass electrons from one to another. As the

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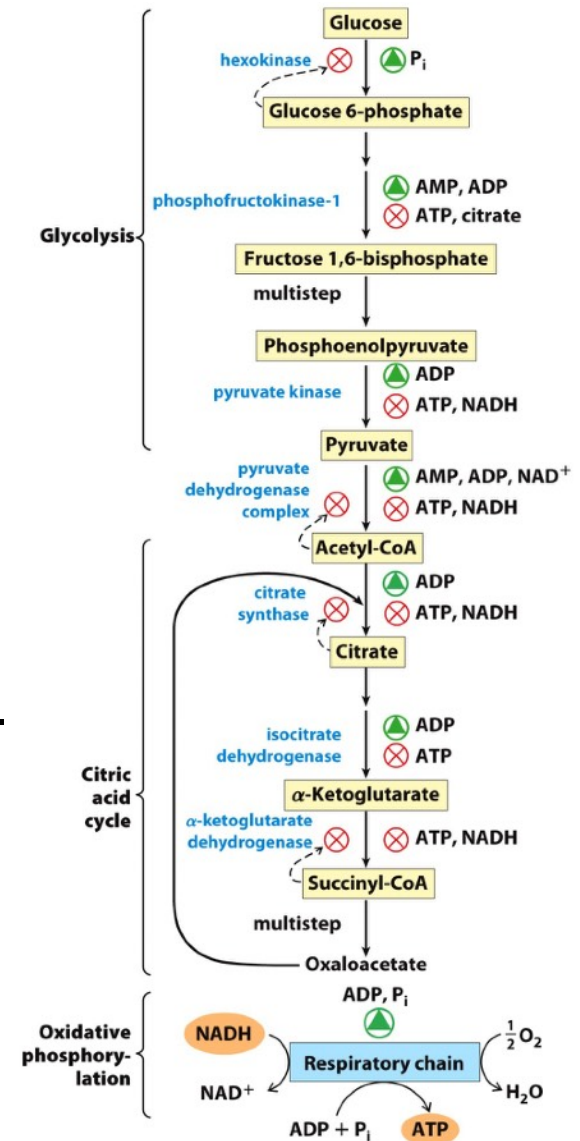
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# OxPhos Regulated by Energy Needs

- Similar regulation of following processes.
  - Glycolysis.
  - Citric acid cycle.
  - Oxidative phosphorylation.
- Regulated by energy status of cells.
  - ADP and AMP are stimulatory.
  - ATP and NADH are inhibitory.
- Rate of fuel oxidation very tightly regulated.
  - $[ATP]/[ADP]$  ratio fluctuates only slightly.
  - ATP is formed only as fast as it is used in energy-requiring cellular activities.



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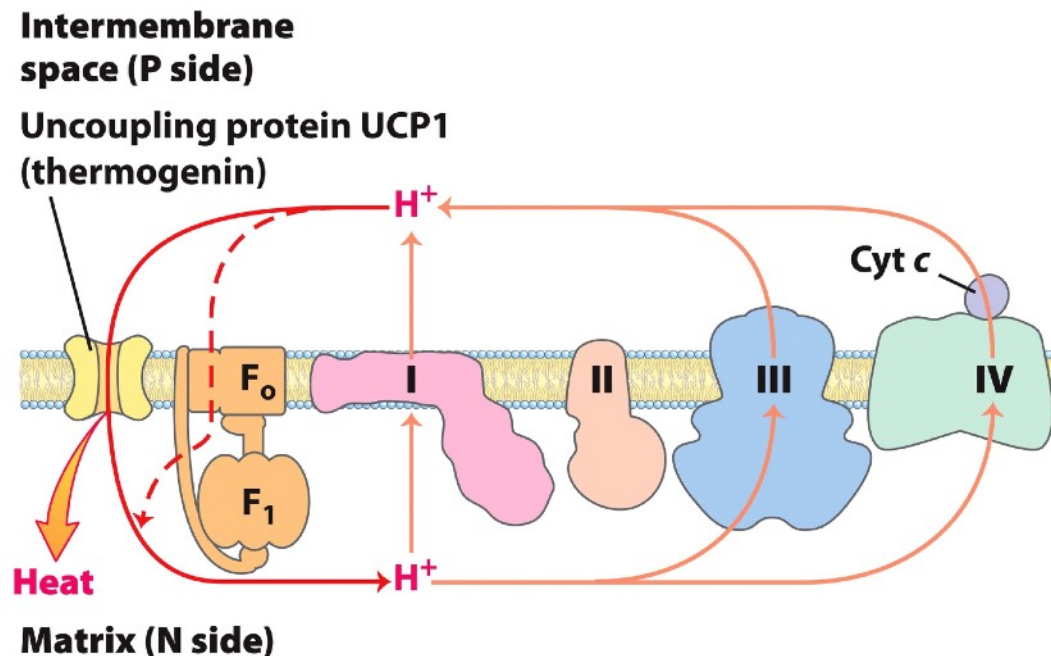
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19.5 Mitochondrial Genes

# Uncoupled Mitochondria Produce Heat

- Newborn infants have brown adipose tissue.
  - Energy from fuel oxidation is NOT used for ATP synthesis.
  - Fuel oxidation serves to **generate heat** to keep newborn warm.
  - Brown color because of many mitochondria and thus high concentration of cytochromes (heme groups show strong absorption of visible light).
- Difference of mitochondria in brown adipose tissue.
  - Uncoupling protein **thermogenin** provides a path for protons to return.



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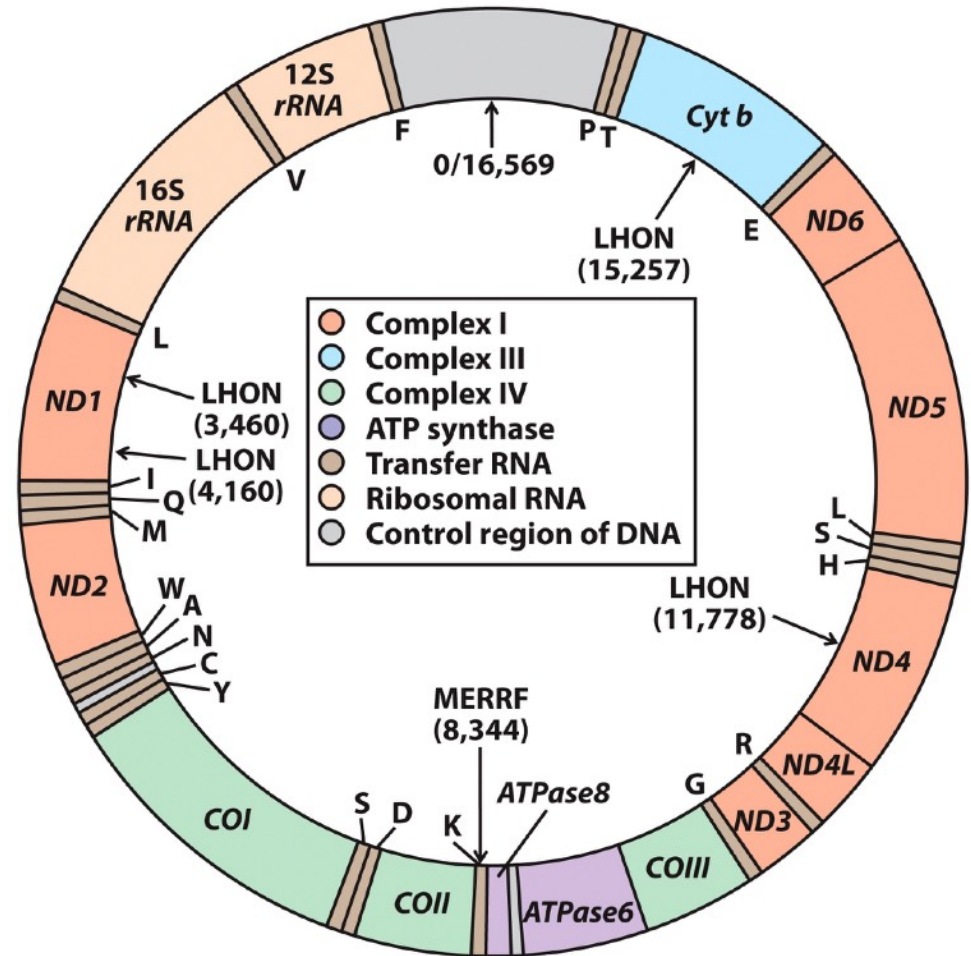
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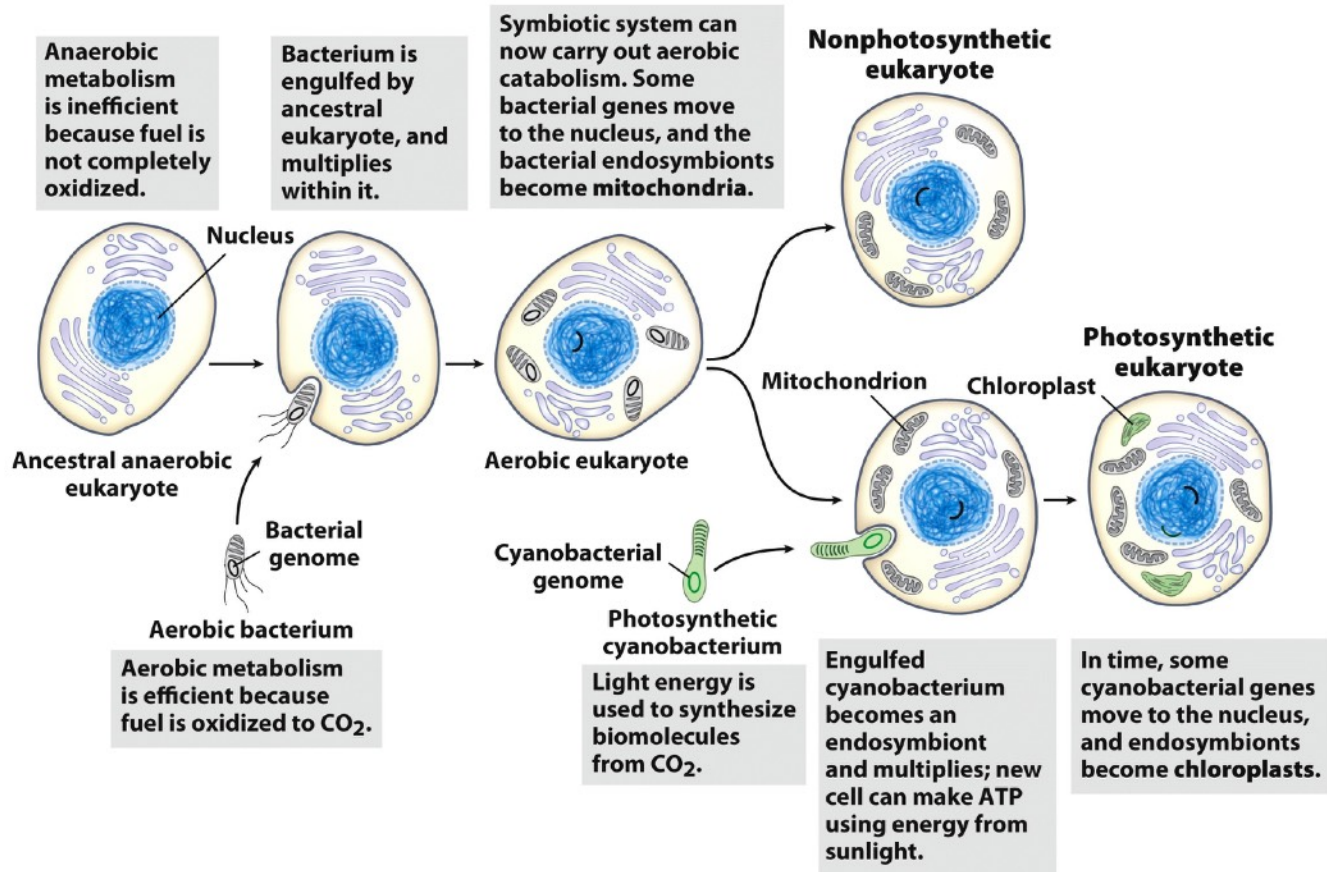
# Mitochondria Contain Own Genome

- Mitochondria contain their own genome.
  - Circular double-stranded DNA.
  - Human mitochondrial genome contains 37 genes.
    - ▶ Subunits of proteins of respiratory chain.
    - ▶ Ribosomal RNA and transfer RNA molecules essential for protein synthesis.
- **Great majority** of mitochondrial proteins (about 1100) are **NOT on own genome**.
  - Encoded by nuclear genes.
  - Synthesized in cytosol.
  - Imported and assembled.

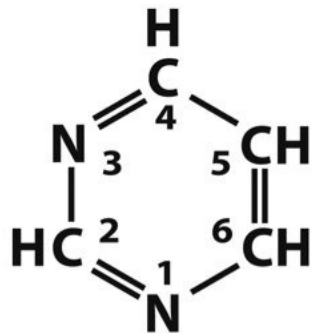


# Mitochondria Evolved from Bacteria

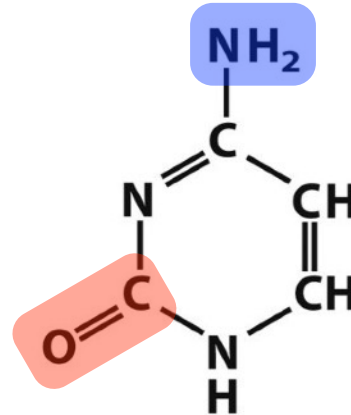
- Primitive eukaryotes lived anaerobically by fermentation.
  - Establish a symbiotic relationship with bacteria capable of aerobic metabolism.
  - Many bacterial gene moved to host nucleus and bacteria become mitochondria.



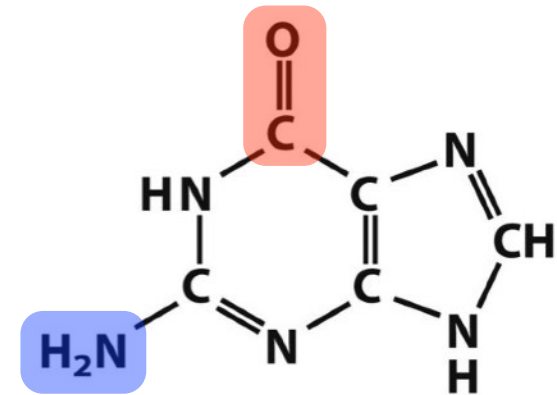
# Structures of This Week: Cytosine



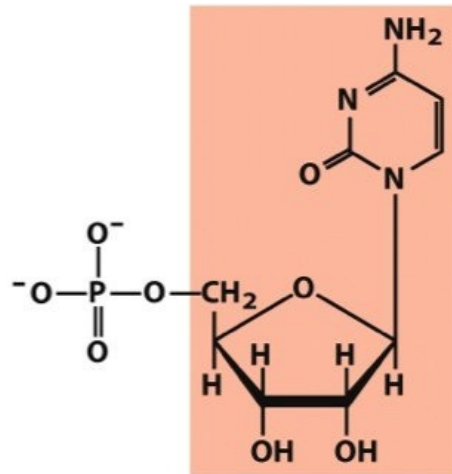
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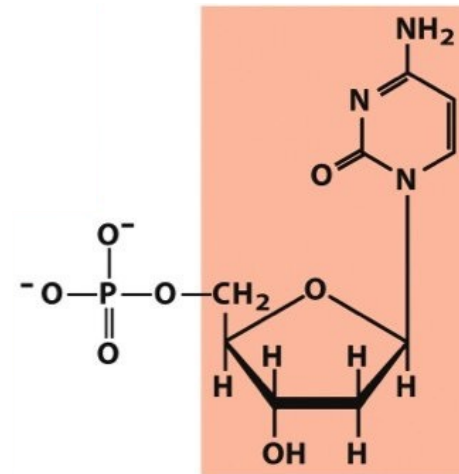
Cytosine



Guanine



Cytidine 5'-monophosphate



Deoxycytidine 5'-monophosphate

# Example Question

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Which of the following electron carriers is *not* able to transfer one electron at a time?

- A) NADH
- B) FMN
- C) FAD
- D) Ubiquinone
- E) Heme

# Example Question

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Reduced QH<sub>2</sub> is *not* formed by which of the following?

- A) Complex I and NADH
- B) Complex II and succinate
- C) Complex III and cytochrome *c*
- D) Fatty acid oxidation
- E) Oxidation of glycerol-3-phosphate

# Example Question

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**In Complex III oxidation of 1 mol of QH<sub>2</sub> requires 2 mol of cytochrome c because:**

- A) cytochrome *c* is a one-electron acceptor, whereas QH<sub>2</sub> is a two-electron donor.
- B) cytochrome *c* is a two-electron acceptor, whereas QH<sub>2</sub> is a one-electron donor.
- C) cytochrome *c* is water soluble and operates between the inner and outer mitochondrial membranes
- D) molecular weight of QH<sub>2</sub> is twice that of cytochrome *c*.
- E) two molecules of cytochrome *c* must first combine physically before they are catalytically active.

# Example Question

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**Which of the following is *not* a feature of complex IV?**

- A) Cytochrome *c* is a one-electron donor.
- B) Oxygen is a substrate.
- C) Complex IV is also called cytochrome oxidase.
- D) For every electron passed to complex IV, two protons are consumed from the matrix (N) side.
- E) In order to generate two water molecules, complex IV must go through the catalytic cycle two times.

# Example Question

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Which of the following is *not* true of the proton motive force (pmf)?

- A) One component of the pmf is the chemical gradient of protons.
- B) One component of the pmf is the charge gradient of protons.
- C) Generation of the pmf in mitochondria requires succinate.
- D) The pmf is generated by electron transport chain in mitochondria.
- E) The pmf drives ATP synthesis in mitochondria.

# Example Question

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**Cyanide, oligomycin, and DNP are inhibitors of oxidative phosphorylation. Which of the following statements correctly describes mode of action of the three inhibitors?**

- A) Cyanide and DNP inhibit the respiratory chain, and oligomycin inhibits the synthesis of ATP.
- B) Cyanide inhibits the respiratory chain, whereas oligomycin and DNP inhibit the synthesis of ATP.
- C) Cyanide, oligomycin, and DNP compete with  $O_2$  for cytochrome oxidase (complex IV).
- D) Oligomycin and cyanide inhibit synthesis of ATP; DNP inhibits the respiratory chain.
- E) Oligomycin inhibits the respiratory chain, whereas cyanide and DNP prevent the synthesis of ATP.

# Example Question

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Upon the addition of 2,4-dinitrophenol (DNP) to a suspension of mitochondria carrying out oxidative phosphorylation, all of the following occur *except*:

- A) oxygen consumption rate decreases.
- B) oxygen consumption rate increases.
- C) No additional ATP is produced.
- D) the proton gradient dissipates.
- E) the rate of transport of electrons from NADH to O<sub>2</sub> becomes maximal.

# Example Question

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**Which of the following statements about energy conservation in the mitochondrion is *false*?**

- A) Drugs that inhibits the ATP synthase will also inhibit the flow of electrons down the chain of carriers.
- B) For oxidative phosphorylation to occur, it is essential to have a closed membranous structure with an inside and an outside.
- C) The yield of ATP per mole of oxidizable substrate depends on the substrate.
- D) Uncouplers (such as DNP) have exactly the same effect on electron transfer as inhibitors such as cyanide; both block further electron transfer to oxygen.
- E) Uncouplers dissipate the proton motive force as heat.

# Example Question

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**Which of the following is *correct* concerning the mitochondrial ATP synthase?**

- A) It can synthesize ATP after it is extracted from broken mitochondria.
- B) It catalyzes the formation of ATP even though the reaction has a large positive free-energy change.
- C) It consists of  $F_0$  and  $F_1$  subunits, which are both transmembrane (integral) polypeptides.
- D) It is actually an ATPase and only catalyzes the hydrolysis of ATP.
- E) When it catalyzes the ATP synthesis reaction, the free energy change is actually close to zero.

# Example Question

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**During oxidative phosphorylation, the proton motive force that is generated by electron transport is used to:**

- A) create a pore in the inner mitochondrial membrane.
- B) generate the substrates (ADP and  $P_i$ ) for the ATP synthase.
- C) induce a conformational change in the ATP synthase.
- D) oxidize NADH to  $NAD^+$ .
- E) reduce  $O_2$  to  $H_2O$ .

# Example Question

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**Draw the path of electron flow from NADH to the final electron acceptor during electron transport in mitochondria.**

**For each electron carrier, indicate whether only electrons, or both electrons and protons, are accepted/donated by that carrier.**

# Example Question

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**Although molecular oxygen ( $O_2$ ) does not participate directly in any of the reactions of the citric acid cycle, the cycle operates only when  $O_2$  is present. Explain this observation.**

# Example Question

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**When the  $F_1$  portion of the ATP synthetase complex is removed from the mitochondrial membrane and studied in solution, it functions as an ATPase. Why does it not function as an ATP synthetase?**