
GLYCOGENOLYSIS



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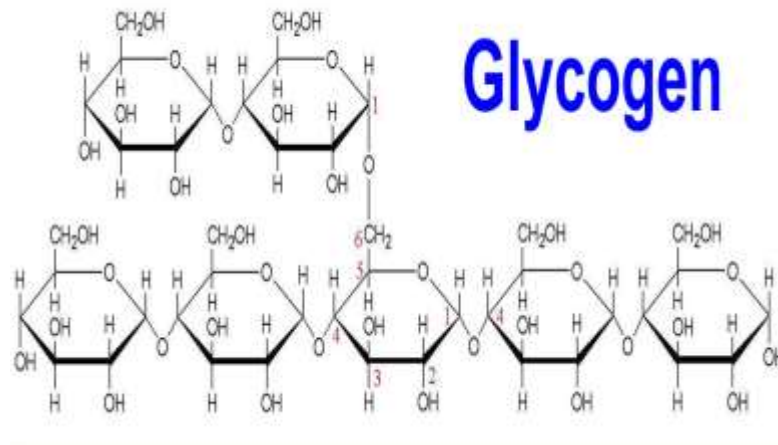


Glycogen

Multibranched subunit of glucose.

Serve as a form of energy storage in humans, animals, fungi etc.

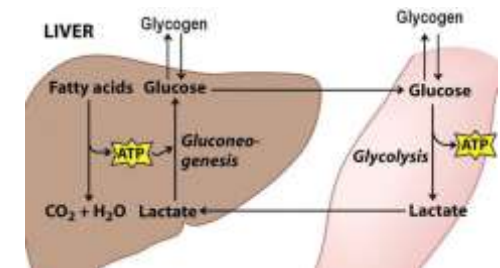
consist of 2 types of linkages, alfa(1→4)linear linkage alfa(1→6) branching linkage.



Storage

Storage form of glucose in animals (animal starch).

Granular form , high in liver (6-8%) and muscles(1-2%).



Glycogenolysis



Breakdown of glycogen to glucose 1 phosphate and glucose in liver and muscles.

To meet the immediate energy demands of the body or when the blood glucose level is low.

Steps involved in glycogenolysis.

Step-1 action Of glycogen phosphorylase.

Alpha-1,4-glycosidic bonds(from non-reducing ends)are cleaved sequentially by enzyme **glycogen phosphorylase** to yield

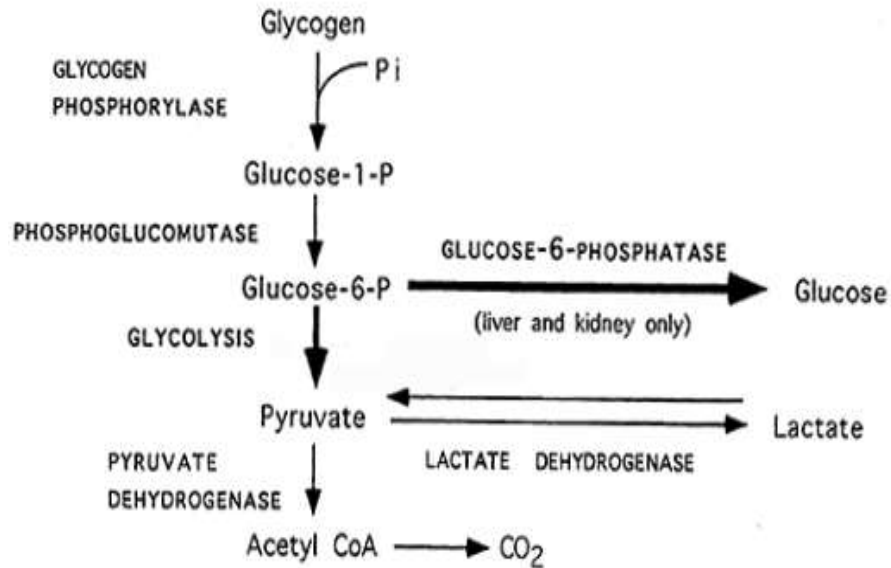
Gluc-1-phosphate .

This process is called **phosphorolysis**.

Limits : degrades the glycogen molecules until 4 glucose residues remain on each chain before a branch point (stops at 4 glucose residue



The glycogen so formed is known as limit dextrin which can not be further degraded by phosphorylase.



Step-2 action of debranching enzyme

The branch of glycogen are cleaved by **debranching enzyme**(bifunctional enzyme) .



1. Glycosyl 4:4 transferase (oligo alpha 1,4→1,4 glucan transferase)

Activity removes a fragment of 3 or 4 glucose residues from a branch and transfer them to another chain.

2. Amylo alpha-1,6-glucosidase

Breaks the alpha-1,6-bond at the branch with a single glucose residue.

Step-3 Formation of glucose -6-phosphate and glucose

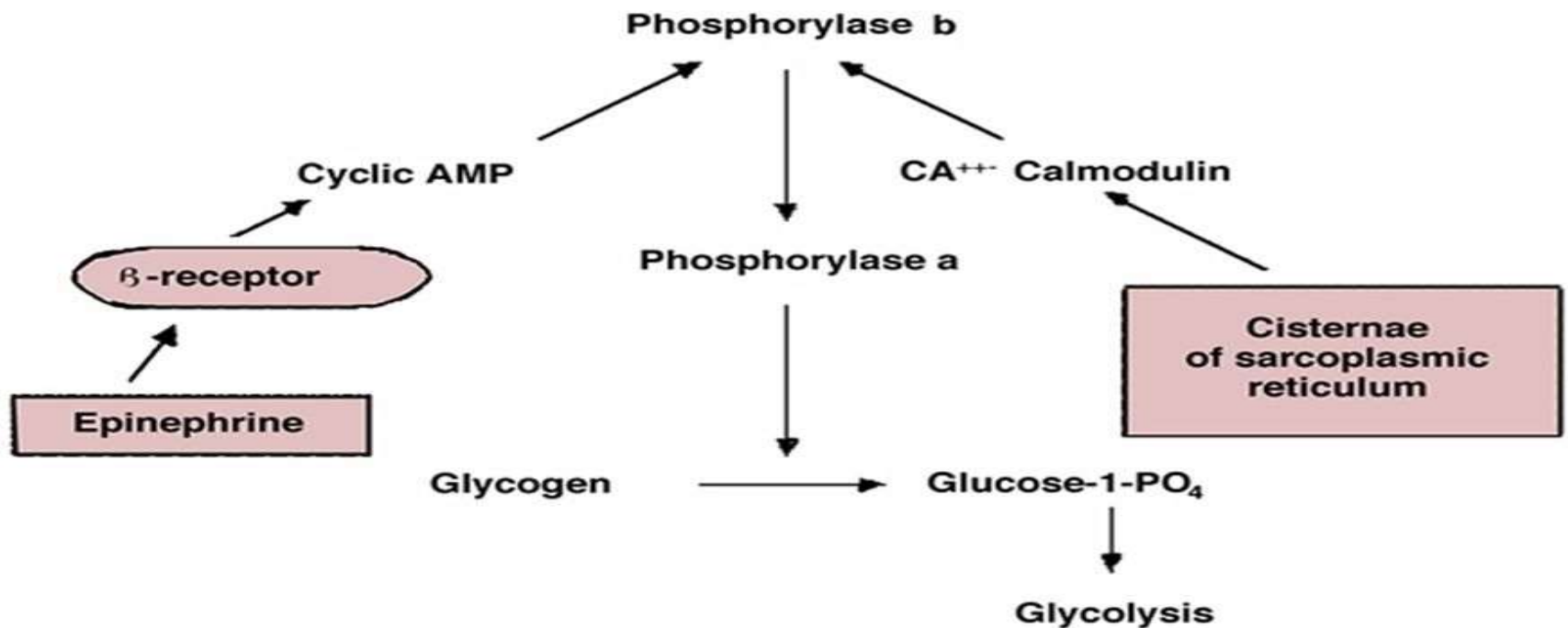
Combined action of glycogen phosphorylase and branching enzyme free glucose(8:1 ratio) are produced .

Glucose- 1-phosphate is converted to glucose-6-phosphate by the enzyme **phosphoglucomutase**.

In liver, kidney, and intestine **Glu-6-p** is converted in to glucose.



Control of Glycogenolysis





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