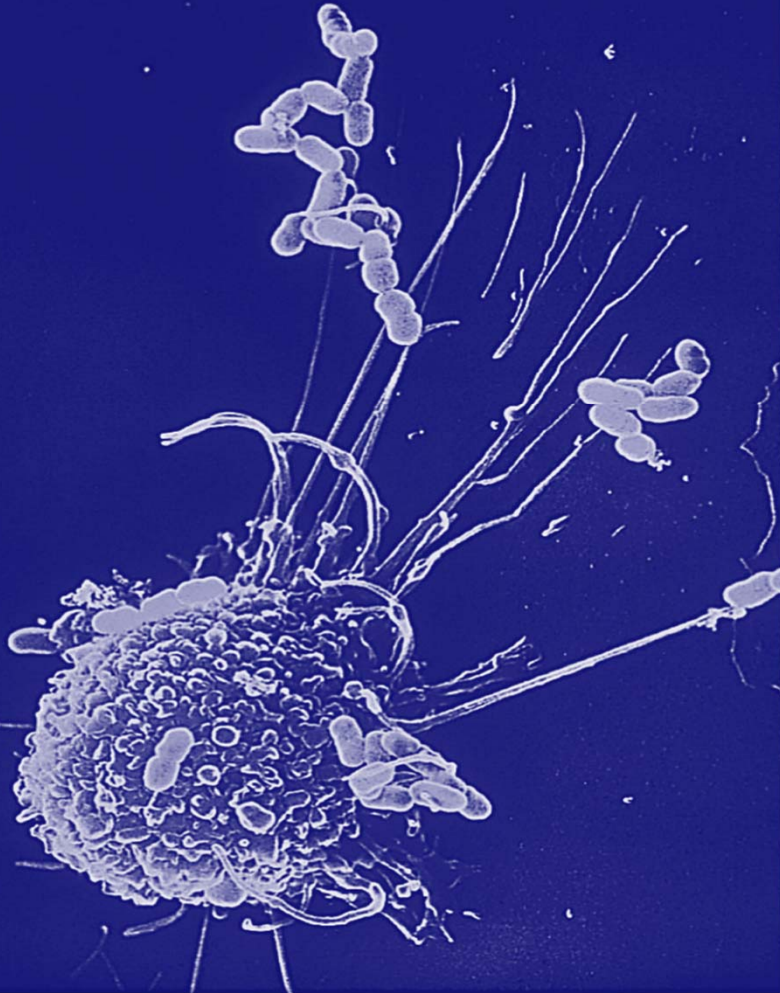


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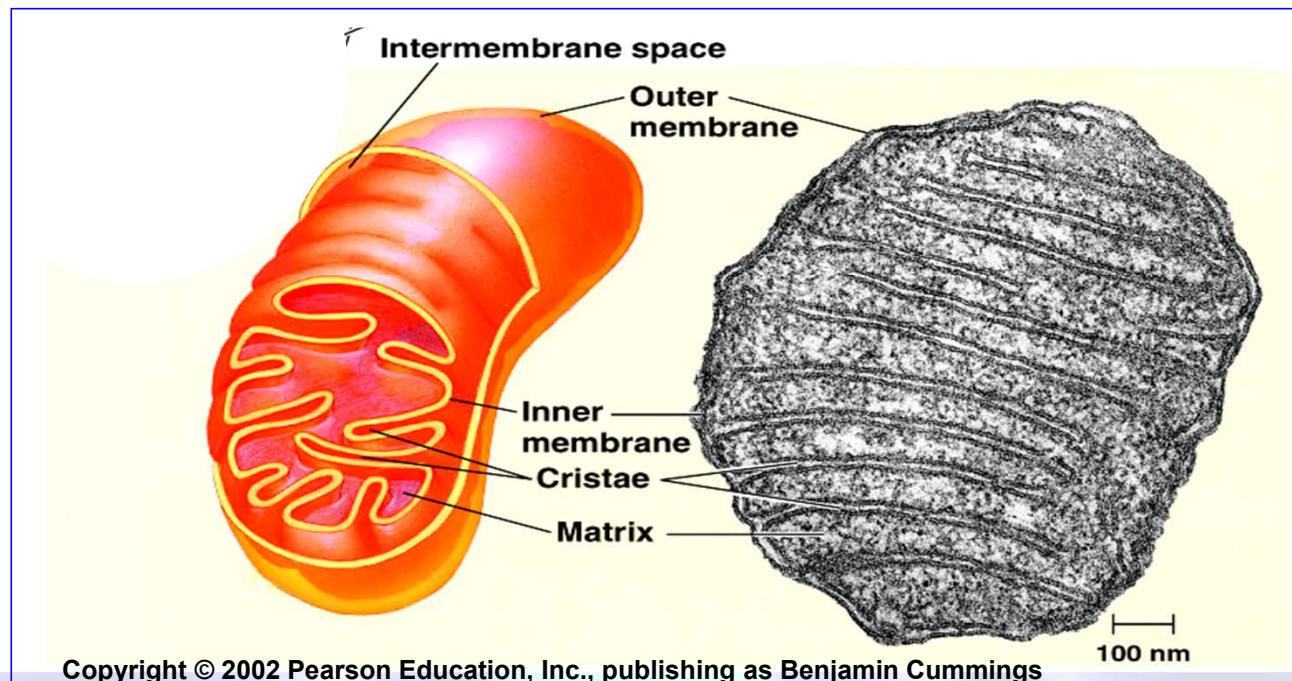
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## CELLULAR RESPIRATION:

### Oxidative Phosphorylation and the Electron Transport Chain





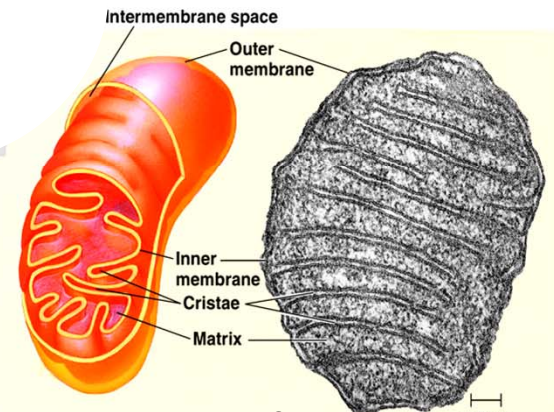
# Objectives

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- Oxidative Phosphorylation and the Electron Transport Chain
  - Electron transport chain (The Pathway of Electron Transport).
  - Chemiosmosis (*the Oxidative Phosphorylation*)
- Fermentation and anaerobic respiration: enable cells to produce ATP without the use of oxygen:
  - Types of Fermentation.
  - Comparing Fermentation (Anaerobic Respiration) with Aerobic Respiration

### 3- Electron transport chain: (oxidative phosphorylation)

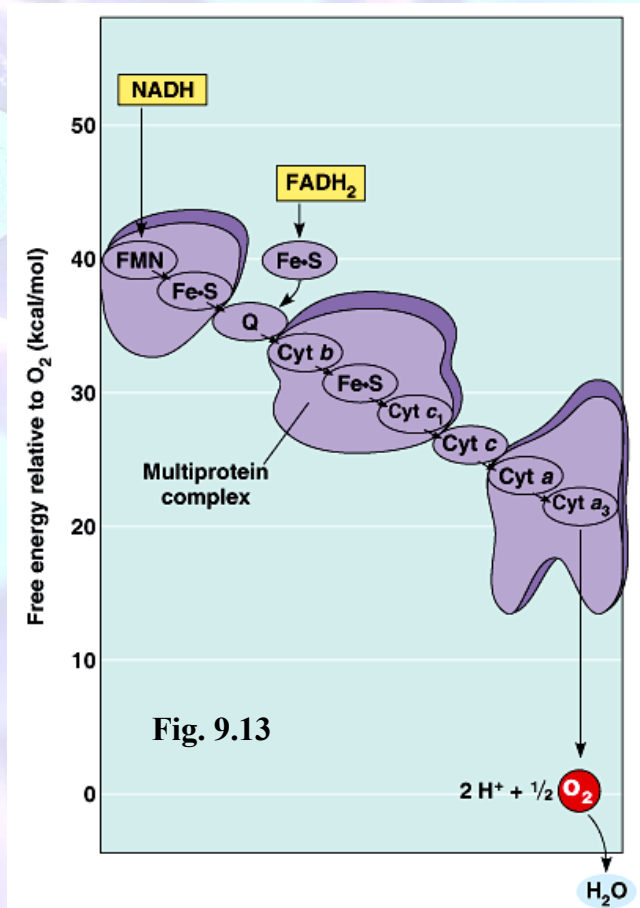
- Only 4 of 38 ATP ultimately produced by respiration of glucose are derived from substrate-level phosphorylation (2 from glycolysis and 2 from Krebs Cycle).
- The vast majority of the ATP (**90%**) comes from the energy in the electrons carried by NADH and FADH<sub>2</sub>.
- The energy in these electrons is used in the electron transport chain to power **ATP synthesis**.
- Thousands of copies of the electron transport chain are found in the extensive surface of the **cristae** (*the inner membrane of the mitochondrion*).
- Electrons drop in free energy as they pass down the electron transport chain.



# Electron transport chain

- Electrons carried by **NADH** are transferred to the first molecule in the electron transport chain (the **flavoprotein; FMN**).
- The electrons continue along the chain which includes several **Cytochrome** proteins and one lipid carrier.
- The electrons carried by **FADH<sub>2</sub>** have lower free energy and are added to a later point in the chain.
- Electrons from **NADH** or **FADH<sub>2</sub>** ultimately pass to oxygen.
- The electron transport chain generates no ATP directly. Rather, its function is to break the large free energy drop from food to oxygen into a series of smaller steps that release energy in manageable amounts

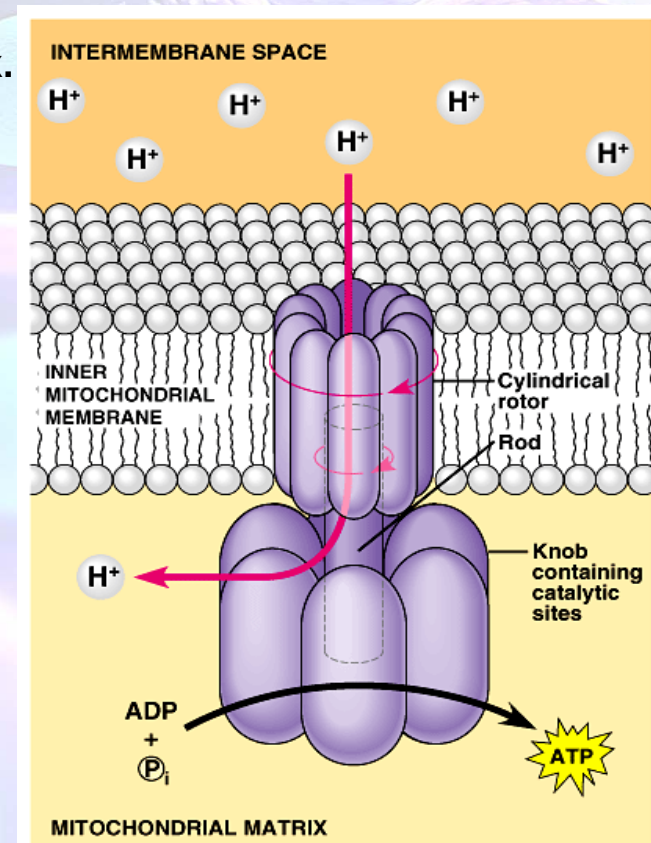
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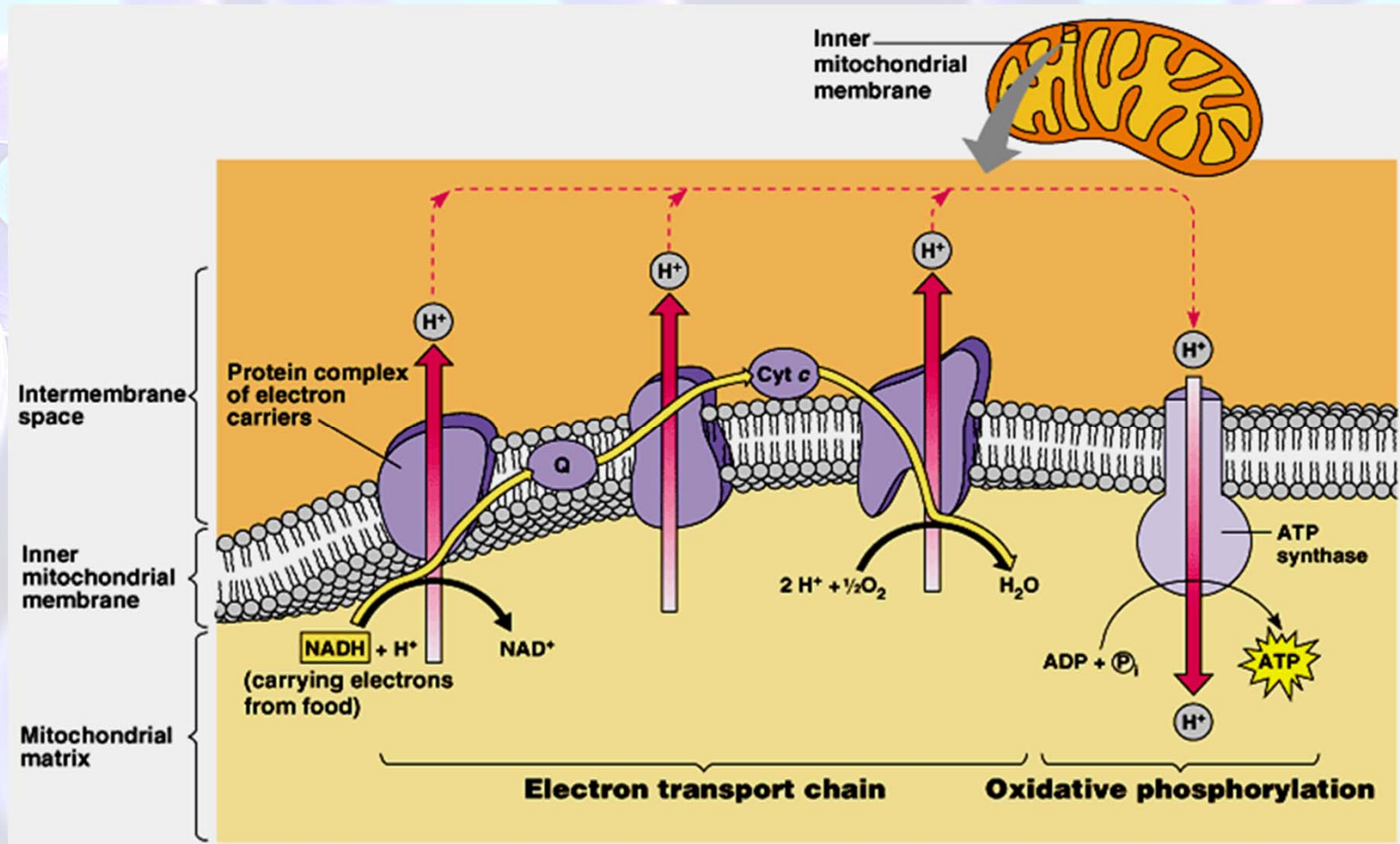


# Electron transport chain

- **ATP-synthase**, in the cristae actually makes **ATP** from **ADP** and **P<sub>i</sub>**.
- ATP used the energy of an existing proton gradient to power ATP synthesis.
  - This **proton gradient** develops between the inter-membrane space and the matrix.
  - This concentration of **H<sup>+</sup>** is the **proton-motive force**.
- The ATP synthase molecules are the only place that will allow **H<sup>+</sup>** to diffuse back to the matrix (**exergonic flow of H<sup>+</sup>**).
- This flow of **H<sup>+</sup>** is used by the enzyme to generate ATP in a process called "**Chemiosmosis**".
- **Chemiosmosis:** (osmos = push)  
It is the **oxidative phosphorylation** that results in ATP production in the inner membrane of mitochondria.



Energy carried by **NADH** and **FADH<sub>2</sub>** give a maximum yield of **34 ATP** is produced by **oxidative phosphorylation**.





## Cellular respiration generates many ATP molecules for each sugar molecule it oxidizes

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- During respiration, most energy flows from **glucose** → **NADH** → **electron transport chain** → **proton-motive force** → **ATP**.
- **Some ATP** is produced by **substrate-level phosphorylation** during glycolysis and the Krebs cycle, but **most ATP** comes from **oxidative phosphorylation** (through electron transport chain).
- Energy produced in Glycolysis and Krebs cycle gives a maximum yield of **4 ATP** by substrate-level phosphorylation.
- Energy produced in electron transport chain gives a maximum yield of **34 ATP** by oxidative phosphorylation via ATP-synthase.
- Substrate-level phosphorylation and oxidative phosphorylation give a bottom line of **38 ATP**.

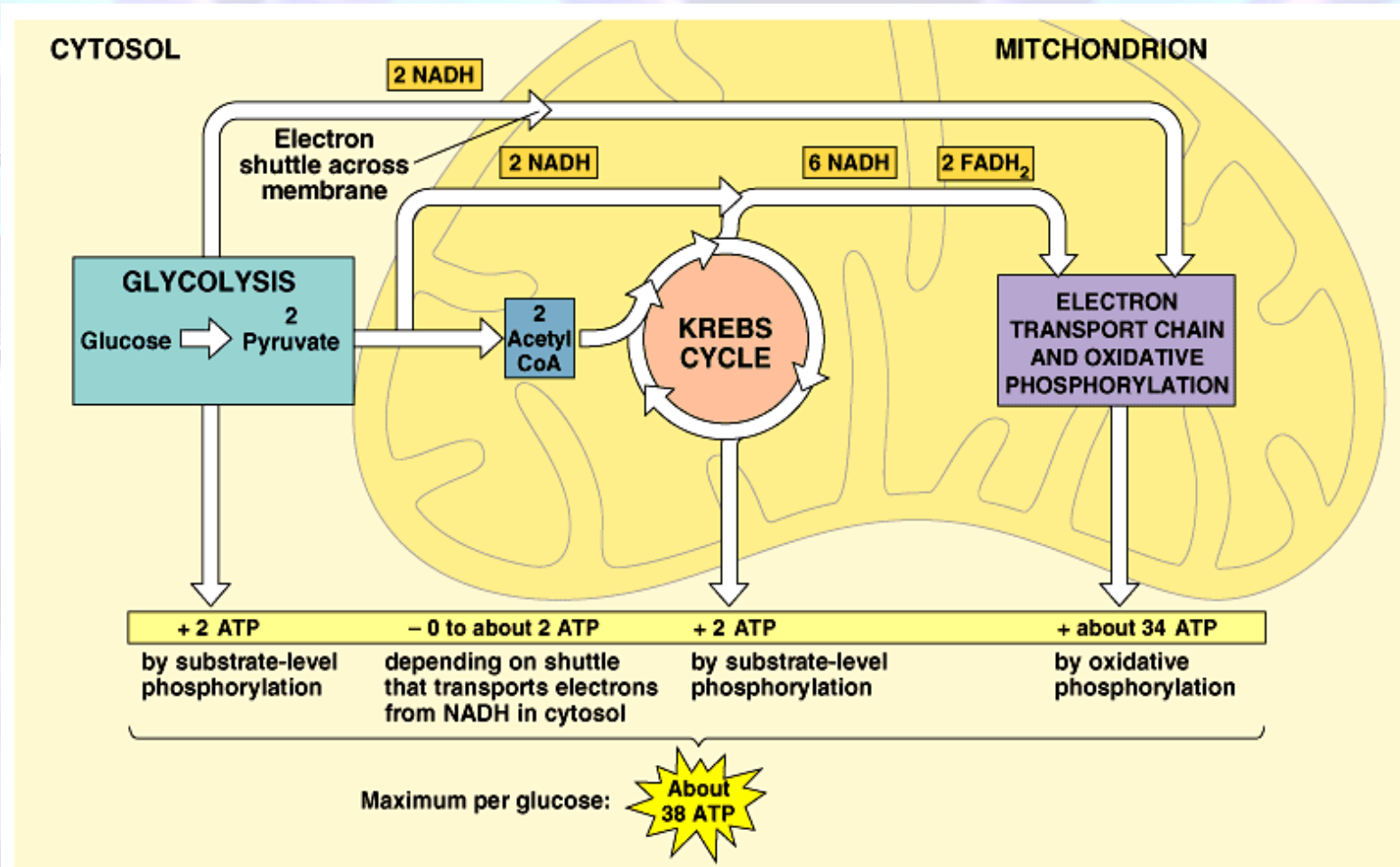


## Summary of Cellular Respiration

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- Glycolysis occurs in the cytosol and breaks glucose into two **pyruvates**
- Krebs Cycle takes place within the mitochondrial matrix, and breaks a pyruvate into  $\text{CO}_2$  and produce some ATP and **NADH**.
- Some of ATP is produced at these two steps via (**substrate-level-phosphorylation**).
- Electron Transport Chain accepts  $e^-$  from **NADH** and passes these  $e^-$  from one protein molecule to another.
- At the end of the chain,  $e^-$  combine with both  **$\text{H}^+$**  and  **$\text{O}_2$**  to form  **$\text{H}_2\text{O}$**  and release energy.
- These energy are used by mitochondria to synthesis 90% of the cellular ATP via **ATP-synthase**, a process called **Oxidative Phosphorylation**, in the inner membrane of mitochondria.

# Summary of cell respiration





## Definitions: تعريفات

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- **Chemiosmosis**: a process *via* which oxidative phosphorylation takes place at the end of the Electron Transport Chain to produce 90% of ATP *via* ATP-synthase.
  - Or, is the process in which ATP synthesis powered by the flow of H<sup>+</sup> back across ATP synthase.
- **ATP-synthase**: an enzyme presents in the inner mitochondrial membrane and used in making ATP by using H<sup>+</sup> (protons).
- **NAD<sup>+</sup>**: Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide, which is an electron acceptor that helps electron transfer during redox reactions in cellular respiration.
- **FAD**: Flavin adenine dinucleotide, which is an electron acceptor that helps electron transfer during Krebs Cycle and Electron Transport Chain in cellular respiration.

## **Fermentation:** Enables يُمكن some cells to produce ATP without the help of **oxygen**

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- Oxidation refers to the loss of electrons to any electron acceptor, not just to oxygen.
  - In glycolysis, glucose is oxidized to 2 pyruvate molecules with  $\text{NAD}^+$  as the oxidizing agent (not  $\text{O}_2$ ).
  - Some energy from this oxidation produce 2 ATP.
  - If oxygen is present, additional ATP can be generated when NADH delivers its electrons to the electron transport chain.
- Glycolysis generates 2 ATP when oxygen is absent (anaerobic لا هوائي).
- Anaerobic catabolism of sugars can occur by **fermentation**.
- **Fermentation** can generate ATP from glucose by substrate-level phosphorylation as long as there is a supply of  $\text{NAD}^+$  (the oxidizing agent) to accept electrons.
  - If the  $\text{NAD}^+$  pool is exhausted استنفذ, glycolysis shuts down.
  - Under aerobic هوائي conditions, NADH transfers its electrons to the electron transfer chain, recycling  $\text{NAD}^+$ .
- Under anaerobic conditions, various fermentation pathways generate ATP by glycolysis and recycle  $\text{NAD}^+$  by transferring electrons from NADH to pyruvate.



# Fermentation

- **Alcohol fermentation:**

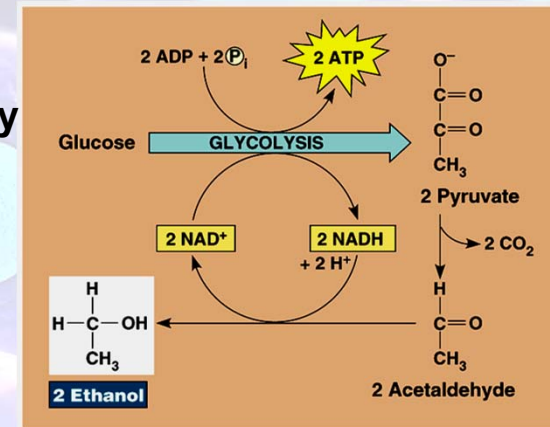
the **pyruvate** is converted to **ethanol** in two steps.

- First, **pyruvate** is converted to **acetaldehyde** by the removal of  $\text{CO}_2$ .
- Second, **acetaldehyde** is reduced by **NADH** to **ethanol**.
- Alcohol fermentation by **yeast** is used in wine-making.

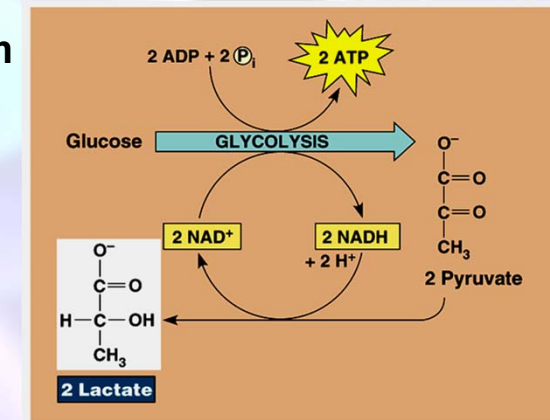
- **Lactic acid fermentation:**

the **pyruvate** is reduced directly by **NADH** to form **lactate** (ionized form of lactic acid).

- Lactic acid fermentation by some **fungi** and **bacteria** is used to make **cheese** and **yogurt**.
- Muscle cells switch from aerobic respiration to lactic acid fermentation to generate ATP when lack of  $\text{O}_2$  ( **$\text{O}_2$  is scarce** نادر)
  - The waste product, **lactate**, may cause **muscle fatigue**, but ultimately it is converted back to pyruvate in the liver.



(a) Alcohol fermentation



(b) Lactic acid fermentation

## Examples of anaerobic respiration:

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### **A)- During exercise our bodies require a lot of energy**

- The body can only supply a limited amount of oxygen for cellular respiration.
- Energy is not produced at the rate required.
- Cells will use anaerobic respiration to release extra energy
- This produces lactic acid (a waste product).

### **B)- We use yeast to make bread**

- CO<sub>2</sub> produced causes bread to rise by creating air pockets
- The ethanol (alcohol) produced is evaporating during baking



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