

# Biochemistry 1 (303 Z)

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## Answer the following questions:-

## 1- Write on the following:- (18 marks)

a) Function and regulation of glycolysis. (4 marks)

#### GLYCOLYSIS FUNCTION

Aerobic: To convert glucose to pyruvate and ATP. Pyruvate can be burned for energy (TCA) or converted to fat (fatty acid syn-

thesis).

Anaerobic: ATP production. Recycle NADH by making lactate.

#### GLYCOLYSIS REGULATION

Primary signals: Insulin turns on.

Glucagon turns off.

Epinephrine turns on in muscle, off in liver. Phosphorylation turns off in liver, on in

muscle.

Secondary signals: Glucose signals activate (fructose 2,6-bis-

phosphate activates phosphofructokinase).

Low-glucose signals inhibit. High-energy signals inhibit. Low-energy signals activate.



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b) Gluconeogenesis location, function and its regulation. (5 marks)

### GLUCONEOGENESIS FUNCTION

Gluconeogenesis makes *glucose* from pyruvate to help maintain blood glucose levels.

#### GLUCONEOGENESIS LOCATION

Liver and kidney-not muscle.

### GLUCONEOGENESIS REGULATION

Primary signals: Insulin turns off.

Glucagon turns on. Acetyl-CoA turns on.

Phosphorylation turns on in liver.

Secondary signals: Glucose signals turn off.

(Fructose 2,6-bisphosphate inhibits fructose

1,6-bisphosphatase.)

Low-glucose signals activate. High-energy signals activate. Low-energy signals inhibit.



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c) ATP cost for glycogen biosynthesis. (3 marks)

### ATP YIELD

No ATP is required to remove glucose from glycogen stores.

# Degradation:1

$$(Glycogen)_n + P_i \longrightarrow glucose 1-phosphate + (glycogen)_{n-1}$$
  
 $Glucose 1-phosphate + H_2O \longrightarrow glucose + P_i$ 

Net:  $(Glycogen)_n + H_2O \longrightarrow (glycogen)_{n-1} + glucose$ 

## ATP COST

2 ATPs are required to store each glucose as glycogen.

## Synthesis:1

Glucose + ATP → glucose 6-phosphate + ADP Glucose 6-phosphate → glucose 1-phosphate

Glucose 1-phosphate + UTP  $\longrightarrow$  UDP-glucose + 2P<sub>i</sub> UDP-glucose + (glycogen)<sub>n</sub>  $\longrightarrow$  UDP + (glycogen)<sub>n+1</sub>

 $UDP + ATP \longrightarrow UTP + ADP$ 

Net:  $(Glycogen)_n + glucose + 2ATP \longrightarrow$  $(glycogen)_{n+1} + 2ADP + 2P_i$