

Pentose phosphate pathway and NADPH

goal to produce
NADPH

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help

عمليات أكسدة oxidation *

استجابة NAD^+

تأبدي العمل reduction $NADH$

NADH تصنع glycolysis

The pentose phosphate pathway

HMP - shunt

- also called the **hexose monophosphate shunt** or **6-phosphogluconate pathway**
- It occurs in the **cytosol** of the cell.
- It consists of two, **irreversible oxidative reactions**, followed by a series of **reversible sugar-phosphate interconversions**
- *** No ATP** is directly consumed or produced in the cycle.
- **Carbon one** of glucose 6-phosphate **is released as CO₂**, and two NADPH are produced for each glucose 6-phosphate molecule entering the oxidative part of the pathway.
(irreversible)
decarboxylation
$$G6P \rightarrow 2 \text{ NADPH} + 1 \text{ Ribulose - 5 - P}$$
- The pathway provides a **major portion of the body's NADPH**, which **functions as a biochemical reductant**. *(reducing agent)*

steroidal - أي أشي
NADPH احتاجه

The pentose phosphate pathway

لازم تكون ماكلين
Fed state
(insulin)

- **Ribose 5-phosphate** is required for the biosynthesis of nucleotides and provides a mechanism for the metabolic use of five-carbon sugars obtained from the diet or the degradation of structural carbohydrates in the body.
- The **oxidative portion** of the pentose phosphate pathway occurs in:
 - **Liver** and **lactating mammary glands**, which are active in the biosynthesis of **fatty acids**
 - **Adrenal cortex**, which is active in the **NADPH-dependent synthesis of steroids**
 - **Erythrocytes**, which require NADPH to keep **glutathione reduced**.



during metabolism radicals are produced
highly reactive

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RBCs

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reduction
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يقابلها
oxidation

NADPH is required in large quantities in all of the following except:

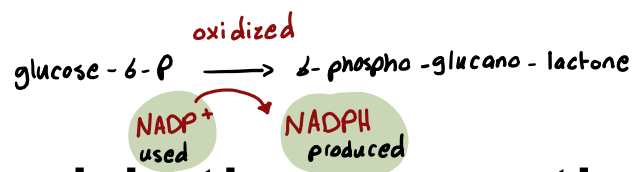
1. Liver
2. Brain
3. Erythrocytes
4. Adrenal cortex
5. Lactating mammary glands

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cyclic ester
lactone
cyclic amide
lactane



Irreversible oxidative reactions

★ <https://youtu.be/eXXpUxg9vn4?si=SwNUNgg2hfrdiqM1>

easy explanation

"irreversible"

Dehydrogenation of **glucose 6-phosphate** (the rate limiting step)

➤ **Glucose 6-phosphate dehydrogenase** (G6PD) catalyzes an irreversible oxidation of glucose 6-phosphate to 6-phosphogluconolactone in a reaction that is specific for NADP as its coenzyme which produce one molecule of NADPH

➤ The enzyme is competitively inhibited by NADPH so its regulated by the NADP/NADPH ratio in the cell (product)

➤ Insulin enhances G6PD gene expression (well-fed state)

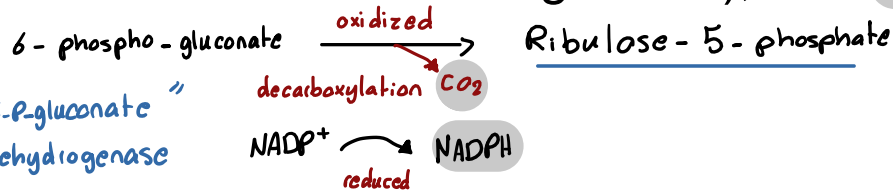
- stimulate it -

Formation of **ribulose 5-phosphate**

➤ Phosphogluconolactone is hydrolyzed by **6-phosphogluconolactone hydrolase** (irreversible and not rate-limiting). to give 6-phospho-gluconate



➤ The subsequent oxidative decarboxylation of 6-phosphogluconate is catalyzed by **6-phosphogluconate dehydrogenase** (irreversible) to produce a pentose sugar-phosphate (ribulose 5-phosphate), CO₂ (from carbon 1 of glucose), and a second molecule of NADPH



6-P-gluconate "
dehydrogenase
=

Which enzyme does not use NAD^+ as cofactor during its reaction:

1. Glyceraldehyde 3-P dehydrogenase **x**
2. Pyruvate dehydrogenase **x**
3. Lactate dehydrogenase **x**
4. Glucose 6-P dehydrogenase
5. Malate dehydrogenase **x**

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Which of the following limits step in oxidative reaction of pentose phosphate pathway

الاجابة: 6- dehydrogenation of glucose phosphate

Reversible nonoxidative reactions

- The nonoxidative reactions of the pentose phosphate pathway occur in all cell types synthesizing nucleotides and nucleic acids. These reactions catalyze the interconversion of three-, four-, five-, six-, and seven- carbon sugars.
- These reversible reactions permit ribulose 5-phosphate to be converted either to [ribose 5-phosphate] or to intermediates of glycolysis [fructose 6-phosphate] and [glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate]
- In reductive biosynthetic reactions, there is a great need for NADPH, so transketolase (which transfers two-carbon units) and transaldolase (which transfers three-carbon units) convert the ribulose 5-phosphate to glyceraldehyde 3-P and fructose 6-P, which are intermediates of glycolysis
- At increased demands for ribose to synthesize nucleic acids, the non-oxidative reactions can provide the biosynthesis of ribose 5-P from G-3-P and F-6-P in the absence of the oxidative steps

Which of the following may result from the nonoxidative reactions of the pentose phosphate pathway?

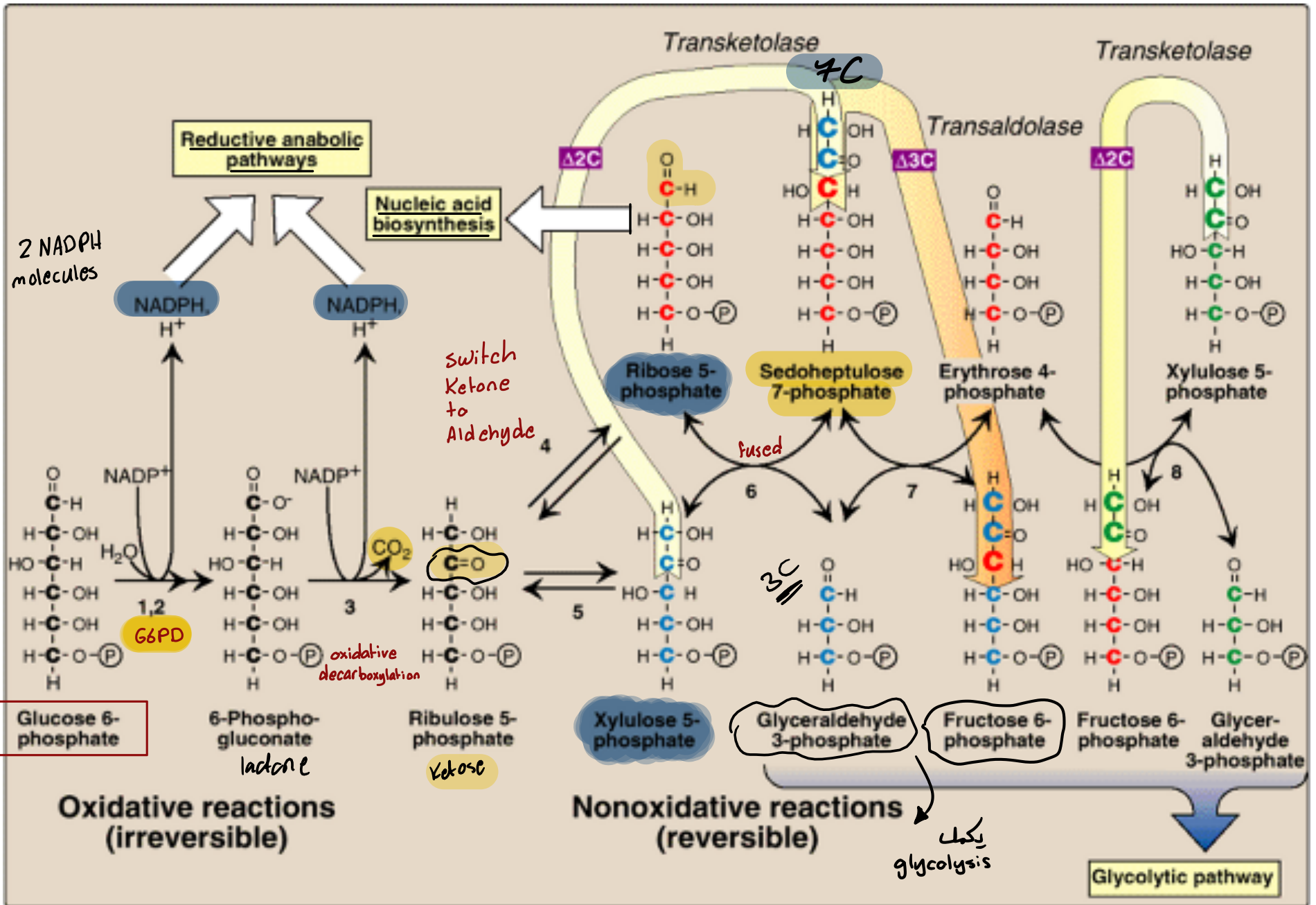
- A. Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate
- B. Fructose 6-phosphate
- C. Ribose 5-phosphate
- D. All of the above

Correct answer: D. All of the above

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الجواب transketolase اتوقع



NADPH

Extra P group

- The coenzyme NADP differs from NAD only by the presence of a phosphate group (PO₄⁻) on one of the ribose units
- The steady-state ratio of NADP/NADPH in the cytosol of hepatocytes is approximately 0.1, which favors the use of NADPH in reductive biosynthetic reactions

low

$$\frac{\text{NADP}^+}{\text{NADPH}} = \frac{1}{10}$$

reduced form

- This contrasts with the high ratio of NAD/NADH approximately 1000 in the cytosol of hepatocytes, which favors an oxidative role for NAD

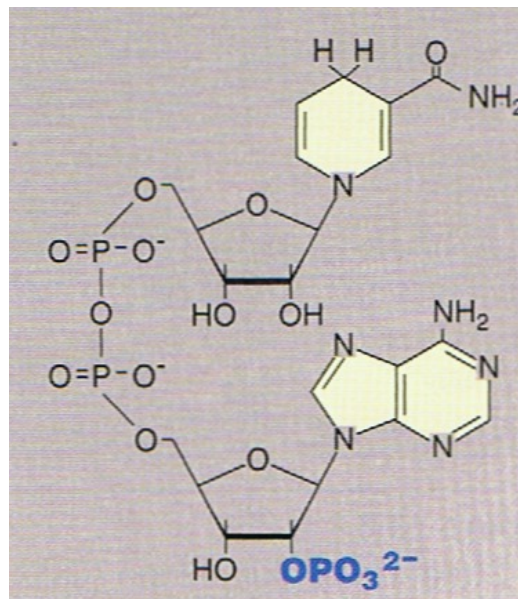
$$\frac{\text{NAD}^+}{\text{NADH}} = \frac{1000}{1}$$

oxidized form

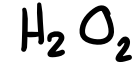
Coenzyme system	Major form present	Main role
NADP ⁺ /NADPH	NADPH abundant	Reductive biosynthesis
NAD ⁺ /NADH	NAD ⁺ abundant	Oxidative energy production

A simple memory trick:

- NADPH helps build
- NAD⁺ helps break down



Uses of NADPH



A. Reduction of hydrogen peroxide

protection against reactive oxygen species (radicals)

- Hydrogen peroxide is formed from the partial reduction of molecular oxygen (*produce radicals*)
- It is formed continuously as by-products of aerobic metabolism, through reactions with drugs and environmental toxins, or when the level of antioxidants is diminished, all creating the condition of oxidative stress.
- These highly reactive oxygen intermediates ^{*radicals*} can cause serious chemical damage to DNA, proteins, and unsaturated lipids, and can lead to cell death.
- The cell has several protective mechanisms that minimize the toxic potential of these compounds.

Uses of NADPH

Keeps glutathione reduced

A. Reduction of hydrogen peroxide

no protective properties

Enzymes that catalyze antioxidant reactions:

water > H₂O₂ ↓

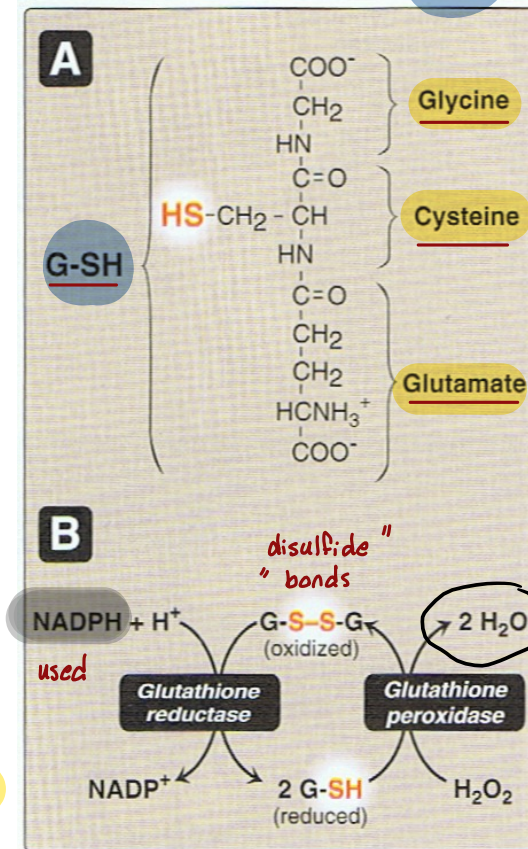
Hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂) → detoxified by glutathione peroxidase
 Reduced glutathione (GSH) → oxidized glutathione (GSSG)
 glutathione reductase + NADPH regenerate GSH

Reduced glutathione, a tripeptide-thiol present in most cells, can chemically detoxify hydrogen peroxide that is catalyzed by the selenium-requiring glutathione peroxidase, forms oxidized glutathione, which no longer has protective properties

The cell regenerates reduced glutathione in a reaction catalyzed by glutathione reductase, using NADPH as a source of reducing electrons. NADPH indirectly provides electrons for the reduction of hydrogen peroxide

donates electrons

Erythrocytes are totally dependent on this pathway for their supply of NADPH so any defect, hydrogen peroxide will accumulate, threatening membrane stability and causing red cell lysis



RBCs have no other source of NADPH - H₂O₂ accumulation - hemolysis

Uses of NADPH

A. Reduction of hydrogen peroxide

superoxide dismutase → H_2O_2

$H_2O_2 \rightarrow H_2O$ (water)

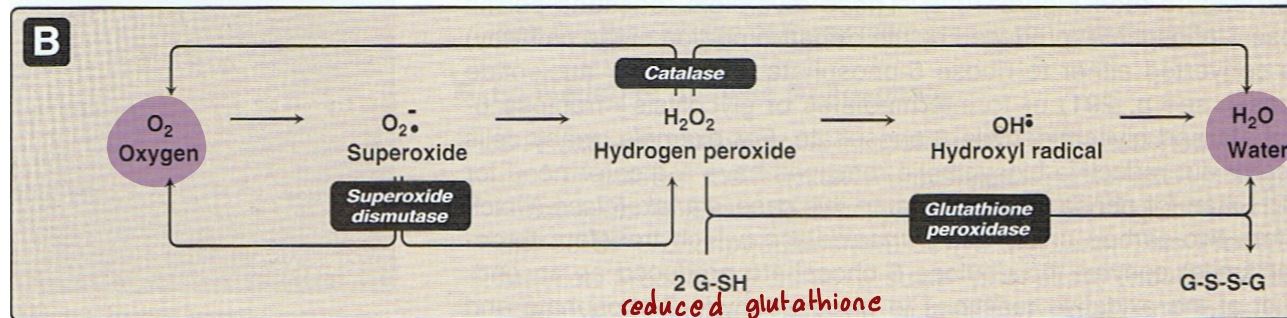
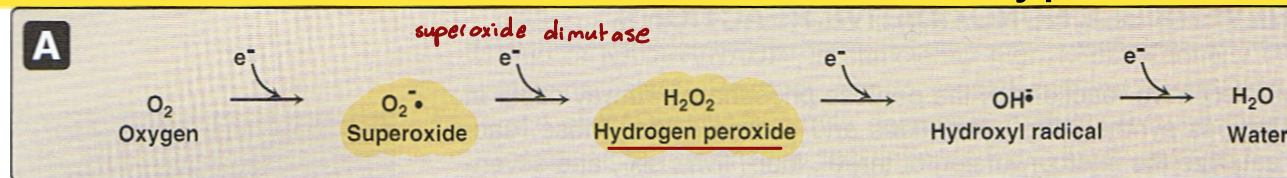
➤ Superoxide dismutase and catalase, catalyze the conversion of other toxic oxygen intermediates to harmless products so guard the cell against the toxic effects of reactive oxygen species. *radicals*

Food

➤ Antioxidant chemicals: A number of intracellular reducing agents such as ascorbate, vitamin E, and β -carotene, are able to reduce and detoxify oxygen intermediates in the laboratory.

(reducing agents)

➤ Consumption of foods rich in these antioxidant compounds has been correlated with a reduced risk for certain types of cancers



glutathione peroxidase

- drug detoxification
- steroid hydroxylation
- vitamin D activation

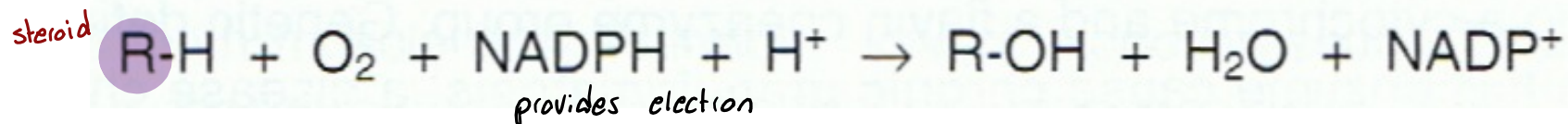
Uses of NADPH

B. Cytochrome P450 monooxygenase system

- **Monooxygenases** incorporate one atom from molecular oxygen into a substrate (creating a hydroxyl group), with the other atom being reduced to water. OH
- In the cytochrome P450 monooxygenase system, NADPH provides the reducing equivalents required by this series of reactions

power (electrons)

- The overall reaction catalyzed by a **cytochrome P450 enzyme** is:



- where R may be a **steroid, drug, or other chemical**

+ NADPH

- **Mitochondrial system**: involved in the hydroxylation of steroids that makes them **more water soluble**.

in the steroid hormone-producing tissues, such as the placenta, ovaries, testes, and adrenal cortex, it is used to **hydroxylate intermediates in the conversion of cholesterol to steroid hormones**

The **liver** uses this system in **bile acid synthesis**

the **kidney** uses it to hydroxylate vitamin 25-hydroxycholecalciferol (vitamin D) to its biologically active 1,25-hydroxylated form.

vitamin D activation

Mitochondrial system

- hydroxylation of steroid
- in liver uses system in bile
- kidney to activation vitamin D
- all answers (الجواب)

may activate a drug

OR

Inactivate a drug

Uses of NADPH

B. Cytochrome P450 monooxygenase system

drug metabolism (detoxification of xenobiotics)

➤ **Microsomal system**: found associated with the membranes of the smooth endoplasmic reticulum (particularly in the liver) is the detoxification of foreign compounds (xenobiotics). These include numerous drugs and such varied pollutants as petroleum products, carcinogens, and pesticides

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➤ It can be used to hydroxylate these toxins, using NADPH as the source of reducing equivalents in order to:

➤ activate or inactivate a drug

➤ make a toxic compound more soluble, thus facilitating its excretion in the urine or feces

➤ Frequently the new hydroxyl group will serve as a site for conjugation with a polar compound, such as glucuronic acid, which will significantly increase the compound's solubility.

glucose
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the goal is to increase polarity + excretion.

- which help in excretion -

Drug/toxin
→ hydroxylation by Cytochrome P450
→ more polar
→ conjugation with glucuronic acid phase 2
→ excretion

CNS ادویہ
hydroxylation
increase polarity
but still active

Concept	Must Remember
Cytochrome P450 needs	NADPH
Main reaction	Hydroxylation
Location for detoxification	Smooth ER
Main organ	Liver
Purpose	Make compounds water soluble
Detoxifies	Drugs + xenobiotics
Important in	Steroid synthesis

NADPH oxidase forms superoxide radicals to kill bacteria

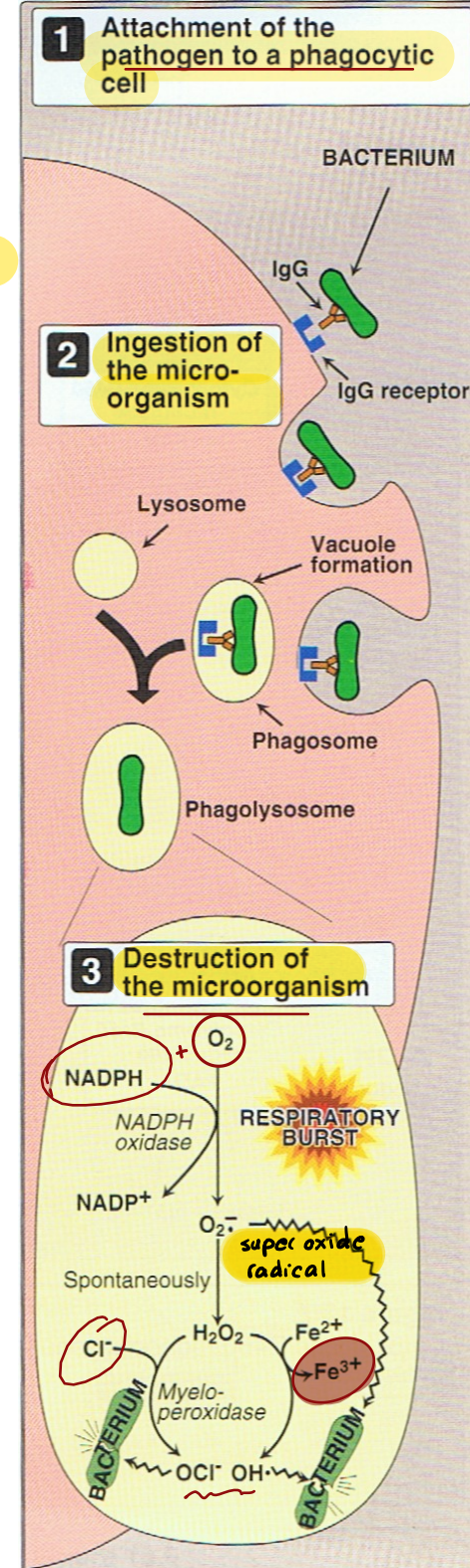
Uses of NADPH

C. Phagocytosis by white blood cells

(Respiratory burst in phagocytes)

- NADPH provides the reducing equivalents for phagocytes in the process of eliminating invading microorganisms
- **NADPH oxidase** uses molecular oxygen and NADPH electrons to produce superoxide radicals, which can be converted to peroxide, hypochlorous acid, and hydroxyl radicals using Myeloperoxidase enzyme.
- A genetic defect in **NADPH oxidase** causes chronic granulomatosis, a disease characterized by severe, persistent, chronic infections.
- Any superoxide that escapes the phagolysosome is converted to hydrogen peroxide by superoxide dismutase (SOD).
$$2 O_2^- + 2 H^+ \xrightarrow{SOD} H_2O_2 + O_2$$
- Excess peroxide is either neutralized by **catalase** or
$$2 H_2O_2 \xrightarrow{catalase} 2 H_2O + O_2$$

oxidizing agent (turn it into water)





Uses of NADPH

D. Synthesis of nitric oxide

➤ Nitric oxide (NO) is recognized as a mediator in a broad array of biologic systems.

eg. phagocytes

➤ NO is the endothelium-derived relaxing factor, which causes **vasodilation** by relaxing vascular smooth muscle. NO also acts as a **neurotransmitter**, prevents **platelet aggregation**, and plays an essential role in **macrophage function**

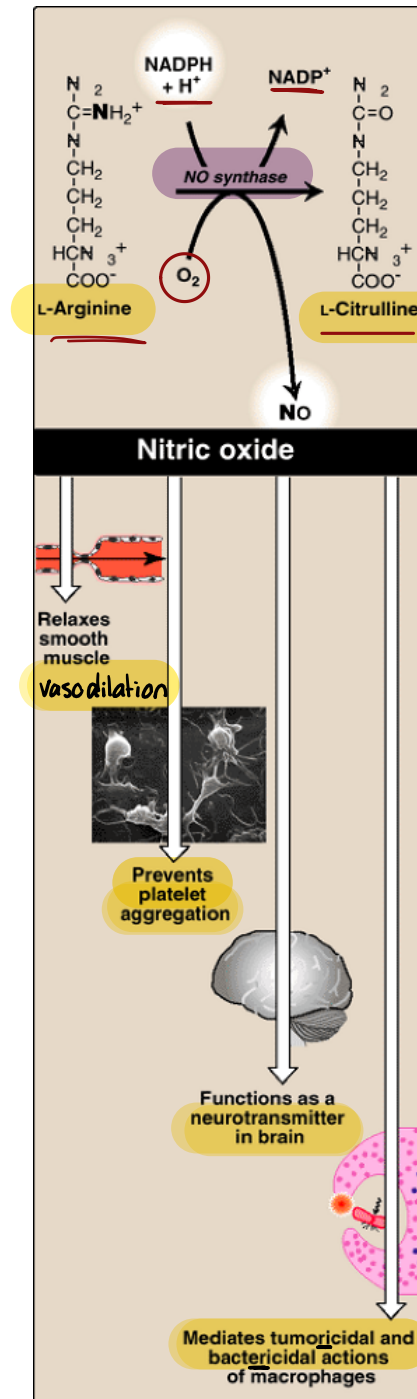
➤ NO is a free radical gas that has a very short half-life in tissues (three to ten seconds) because it reacts with oxygen and superoxide, and then is converted into nitrates and nitrites.

O_2 radical

Synthesis of NO:

It is synthesized by the cytosolic NO synthase. Flavin mononucleotide (FMN), flavin adenine dinucleotide (FAD), heme, and tetrahydrobiopterin are coenzymes for the enzyme

Angina (Buccal nitrates)



Which of the following statements regarding nitric oxide (NO) is correct?

A. Nitric oxide is synthesized by cytosolic nitric oxide synthase.

B. FMN, FAD, heme, and tetrahydrobiopterin act as coenzymes for NO synthesis.

C. NO has an important role in macrophage function and vasodilation.

D. All of the above.

Which of the following statements about nitric oxide (NO) is incorrect?

- A. Nitric oxide causes vasoconstriction by contracting vascular smooth muscle.
- B. Nitric oxide has a long half-life in tissues, lasting several hours.
- C. Nitric oxide synthase does not require any coenzymes for NO synthesis.
- D. All of the above.

Glucose 6-Phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency *No NADPH production*

➤ This deficiency is a **genetic disease** characterized by **hemolytic anemia**. G6PD deficiency impairs the ability of the cell to form the NADPH that is essential for the maintenance of the reduced glutathione pool.

RBCs

➤ The cells most affected are the **red blood cells** because they do not have **additional sources of NADPH**. **Free radicals and peroxides** formed within the cells cannot be neutralized, causing denaturation of protein (as hemoglobin) and membrane proteins.

➤ The cells become **rigid**, and they are removed by the **reticuloendothelial system of the spleen and liver.**

➤ **Hemolytic anemia** can be caused by the production of free radicals and peroxides following the taking of **oxidant drugs, ingestion of fava beans** or **severe infections.**

*-isosulfide
-dinitrate*

طلبیت ال incorrect بال NADPH

-NADPH doesn't effect with G-6-pD

deficiency

Glucose 6-Phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency

- Babies with G6PD deficiency may experience neonatal jaundice appearing one to four days after birth.
(1-4) days
- The degree of severity of the anemia depends on the location of the mutation in the G6PD gene
- Class I mutations are the most severe (for example, G6PD Mediterranean). They are often associated with chronic nonspherocytic anemia.
- Class III mutations (for example, G6PD A-) cause a more moderate form of the disease

Most Important Enzymes to Memorize

Enzyme

Importance

G6PD

Rate-limiting enzyme

Transketolase

Requires thiamine

Glutathione reductase

Uses NADPH

Glutathione peroxidase

Detoxifies H_2O_2


NADPH oxidase

Respiratory burst

Superoxide dismutase

Converts superoxide $\rightarrow H_2O_2$

Catalase

Detoxifies peroxide 

Which of the following enzymes utilizes NADH rather than NADPH in its reaction:

1. Cytochrome P450
2. NO synthase
3. Glutathione reductase
4. Glyceraldehyde 3-P dehydrogenase
5. NADPH oxidase

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The pentose phosphate pathway is used in all of the following except:

1. Synthesis of ribose sugar
2. Synthesis of NADPH
3. Utilization of its product to kill microorganisms in macrophages
4. Utilization of its products to reduce the toxic potential of some compounds
5. Synthesis of Glutathione

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