

liver
Kidneys

يَفْتِنُوا
تَقْسِمُ
لِلْكَلْبِ

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Bidirectional

muscles

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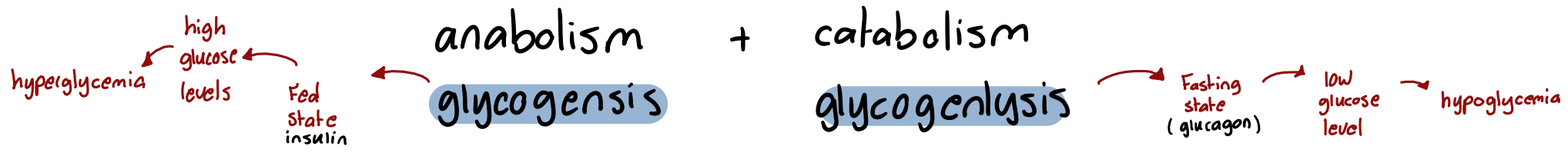
organs :

liver 100 g

muscles 300 - 400 g

Liver glycogen	Muscle glycogen
Maintains blood glucose	Used for muscle energy
Has <u>glucose-6-phosphatase</u>	No glucose-6-phosphatase
Can <u>release free glucose to blood</u>	Cannot release glucose to blood
Very common MCQ:	
Muscle cannot release free glucose because it lacks glucose-6-phosphatase.	

Glycogen metabolism



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Glycogen

- Blood glucose can be obtained from three sources: **diet**, **degradation of glycogen** and **gluconeogenesis**.
glycogenolysis
- Glycogen is a rapidly mobilized form of glucose which is stored in both liver and kidney to raise blood glucose during early stages of fast.
- When **glycogen stores are depleted**, glucose is produced from amino acids in specific tissues.
- **Glycogen** works as fuel for synthesis of ATP during muscle contraction

The organ that stores glycogen for its own use is:

1. Liver
2. Brain
3. Kidney
4. Adipose tissue
5. Skeletal muscle

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Structure and function of glycogen

- 400 g make up 1-2% of muscle weight but 100 g make up 10% of liver
- Glycogen is a branched chain homopolysaccharides made of α -D-glucose linked together by α (1-4) glycosidic bond in the linear chain and α -(1-6) glycosidic bond in the branches.
- Fluctuation in glycogen stores: liver glycogen is not affected by short fast (days) but decreased in prolonged fasting.

1) Which of the following is false about glycogen molecules?

a) Glycogen is polysaccharide

b) Glycogen is a polymer of beta-D-Glucose

c) Glycogen consists of $\alpha(1-4)$ and $\alpha(1-6)$ glycosidic linkage

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Glycogenesis

liver kidneys muscles

Occurs in the cytosol and requires energy supplied by ATP and UTP

- Active form -

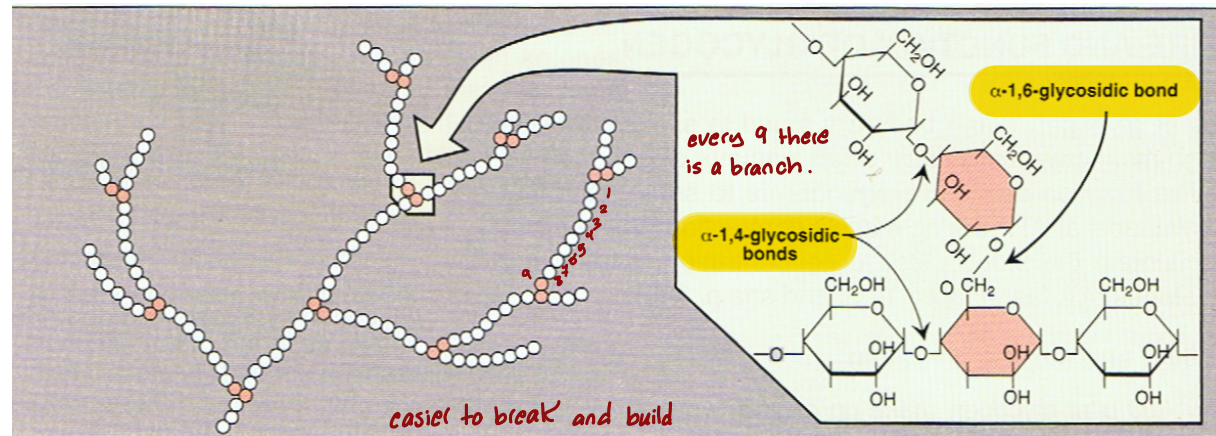
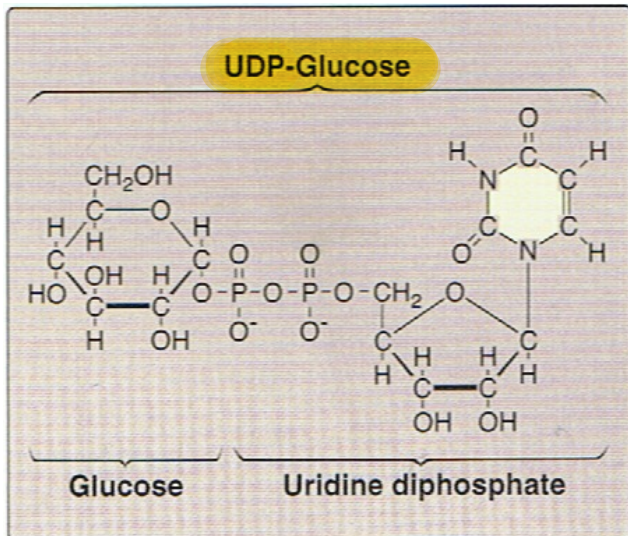
Synthesis of UDP-glucose: from glucose 1-phosphate and UTP by UDP-glucose pyrophosphorylase

Focus

Synthesis of a primer to initiate glycogen synthesis: **Glycogen synthase** is responsible for making the $\alpha(1-4)$ linkages in glycogen. This enzyme cannot initiate chain synthesis using free glucose as an acceptor of a molecule of glucose from UDP-glucose (only elongation).

no branches just linear $\alpha(1,4)$

$\alpha(1,4)$
just elongation
not initiation



Glycogenesis

rate limiting enzyme

C. Elongation of glycogen chains by **glycogen synthase**

D. Formation of branches in glycogen: **branches are present almost every glycosyl residues** which has more solubility than unbranched and increase the number of non-reducing ends where **Glu-UDP** can be added and this will accelerate the rate of glycogenesis.

Branching occurs by **branching enzyme (amylo $\alpha(1-4)$ \square $\alpha(1-6)$ **transglucosidase)** followed by elongation using glycogen synthase**

- Branching increases:
 - solubility
 - number of non-reducing ends
 - speed of glycogen synthesis/breakdown

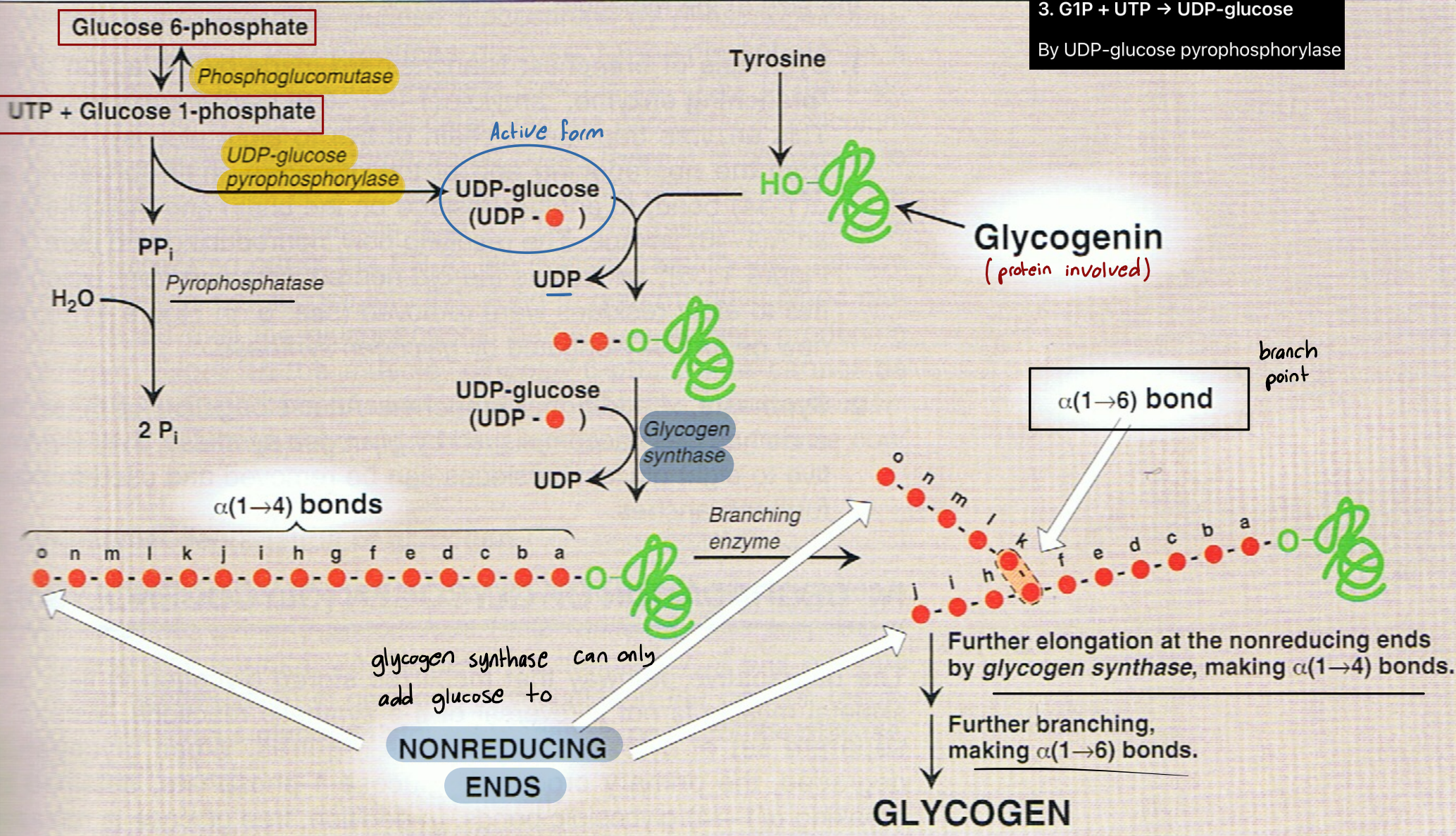
الجواب الغير صحيح بال glycogen

كان : glycogen synthase is branching

enzyme

Glycogenesis

- 1. Glucose → G6P
Uses ATP
- 2. G6P → G1P
By phosphoglucomutase
- 3. G1P + UTP → UDP-glucose
By UDP-glucose pyrophosphorylase



14) Which of the following statement is false regarding glycogenesis?

- a) Glycogen synthase is activated in the phosphorylated state.
- b) Glycogen synthase enzyme is inhibited by glucagon and epinephrine action.
- c) Protein phosphatase removes the phosphate group and activates the enzyme
- d) Insulin promotes glycogen synthesis in liver and skeletal muscles

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$\alpha(1-4) \rightarrow G-1-P$

$\alpha(1,6) \rightarrow \text{glucose}$

glycogenolysis

From breaking of $\alpha(1-4)$ produce glucose 1-phosphate

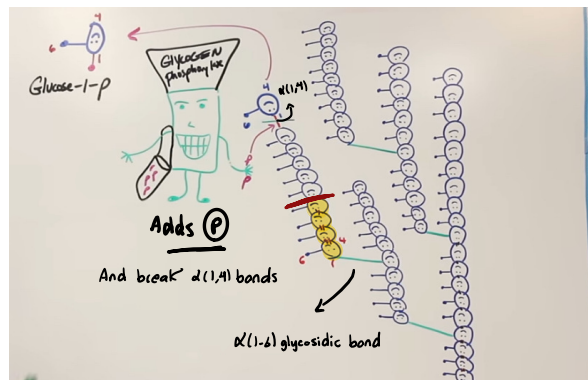
Breaking of $\alpha(1-6)$ release free glucose

Shortening of the chains: *rate limiting enzyme*

$\alpha(1-4)$ is cleaved by **glycogen phosphorylase** until four glycosyl units remain on each chain before branch point

The enzyme utilize **pyridoxal phosphate** which is required as **coenzyme** (Vitamin B6)

The resulting structure is called limit dextrin



glycogenolysis

debranching

B. Removal of branches: it involves two enzymes:

- oligo $\alpha(1-4)$ - \rightarrow ($\alpha(1-4)$ glucan transferase: removes the three of the four glycosyl residues at a branch. Then it transfers them to the nonreducing end of another chain.

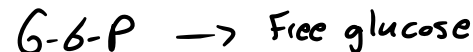
- The remaining $\alpha(1-6)$ single glucose residue is removed by amyl- $\alpha(1-6)$ glucosidase activity

Both enzymes are called debranching enzyme.

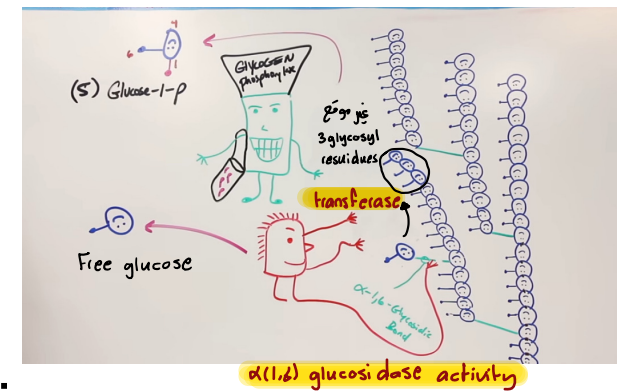
C. Conversion of glucose 1-phosphate to G6P:

Occurs in cytosol by phosphoglucomutase. $G-1-P \rightarrow G-6-P$
phospho-gluco-mutase

In liver, G6P is translocated in ER by G6P translocase and then converted to glucose by G6phosphatase.



No G6 phosphatase in muscle so G6P enter glycolysis



4) Liver glycogen contributes to the maintenance of glucose but not muscle glycogen. Which of the following enzyme is absent in muscle?

a) Glycogen phosphorylase

b) Hexokinase

c) Glucose-6-phosphatase

d) Debranching enzyme

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glycogenolysis

D. Lysosomal degradation of glycogen

small amount of glycogen is continuously degraded by the lysosomal enzyme $\alpha(1-4)$ glucosidase.

deficiency in this enzyme causes accumulation of glycogen in vacuole in cytosol (glycogen storage disease type II (pompe disease))

pompe disease (glycogen storage disease type II)

↳ deficiency in The lysosomal enzyme ($\alpha(1-4)$ glucosidase)

↳ glycogen accumulation

Regulation of Glycogen metabolism

- cAMP Integrates the Regulation of Glycogenolysis & Glycogenesis
- The principal enzymes controlling glycogen metabolism- **glycogen phosphorylase** and **glycogen synthase** are regulated by allosteric mechanisms and covalent modifications due to **reversible phosphorylation and dephosphorylation** of enzyme **protein kinase** in response to hormone action
ATP → cyclic AMP
- *سکر* cAMP is formed from ATP by **adenylyl cyclase** at the inner surface of cell membranes and acts as an intracellular **second messenger** in response to hormones such as **epinephrine, norepinephrine,** and **glucagon**
released in fasting state
- **cAMP** is hydrolyzed by **phosphodiesterase**, so terminating hormone action, in liver, insulin increases the activity of phosphodiesterase
break down cAMP so we stop glycogen break down into glucose.
(Fed state)

Meaning:

If glucose is already present/bound, the enzyme becomes less responsive to AMP.

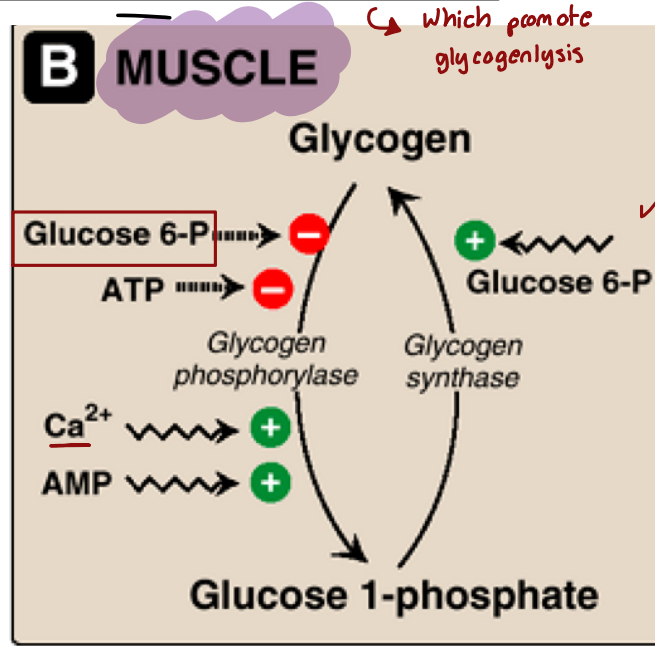
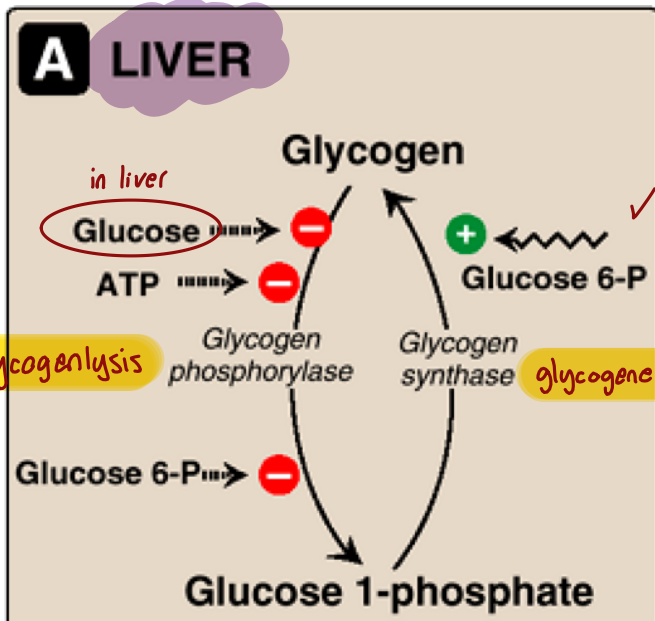
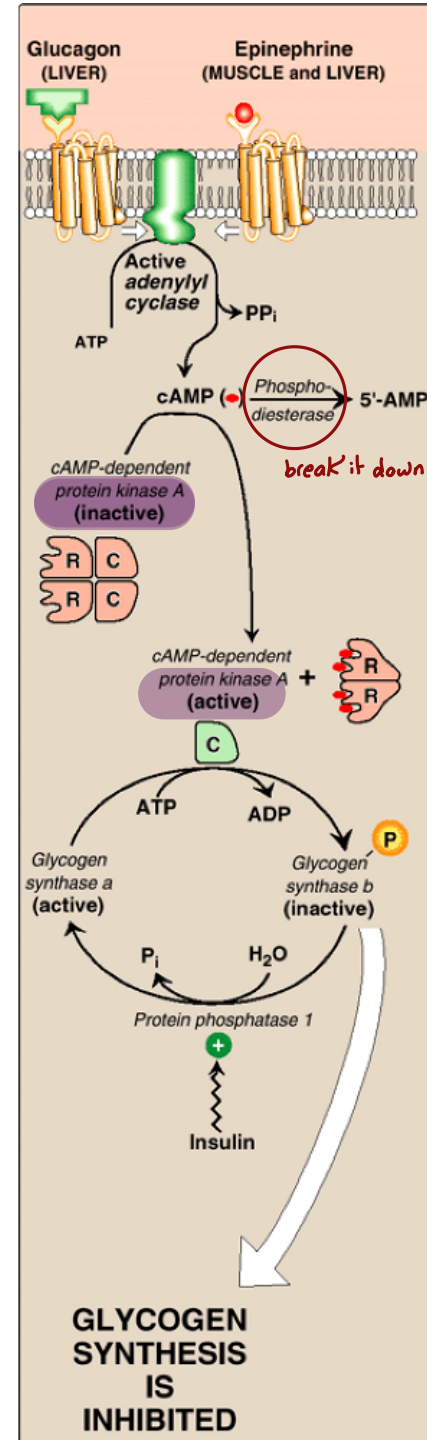
So even if AMP tries to activate it:

- activation is blocked
- glycogen breakdown decreases

Regulation

➤ when muscle glycogen phosphorylase (b) is bound to glucose, it cannot be allosterically activated by AMP

➤ In the muscle, insulin indirectly inhibits the enzyme by increasing the uptake of glucose, leading to an increased level of glucose 6-phosphate—a potent allosteric inhibitor of glycogen phosphorylase



10) Which of the following is not the direct/ indirect activator of glycogen phosphorylase in muscle?

a) AMP

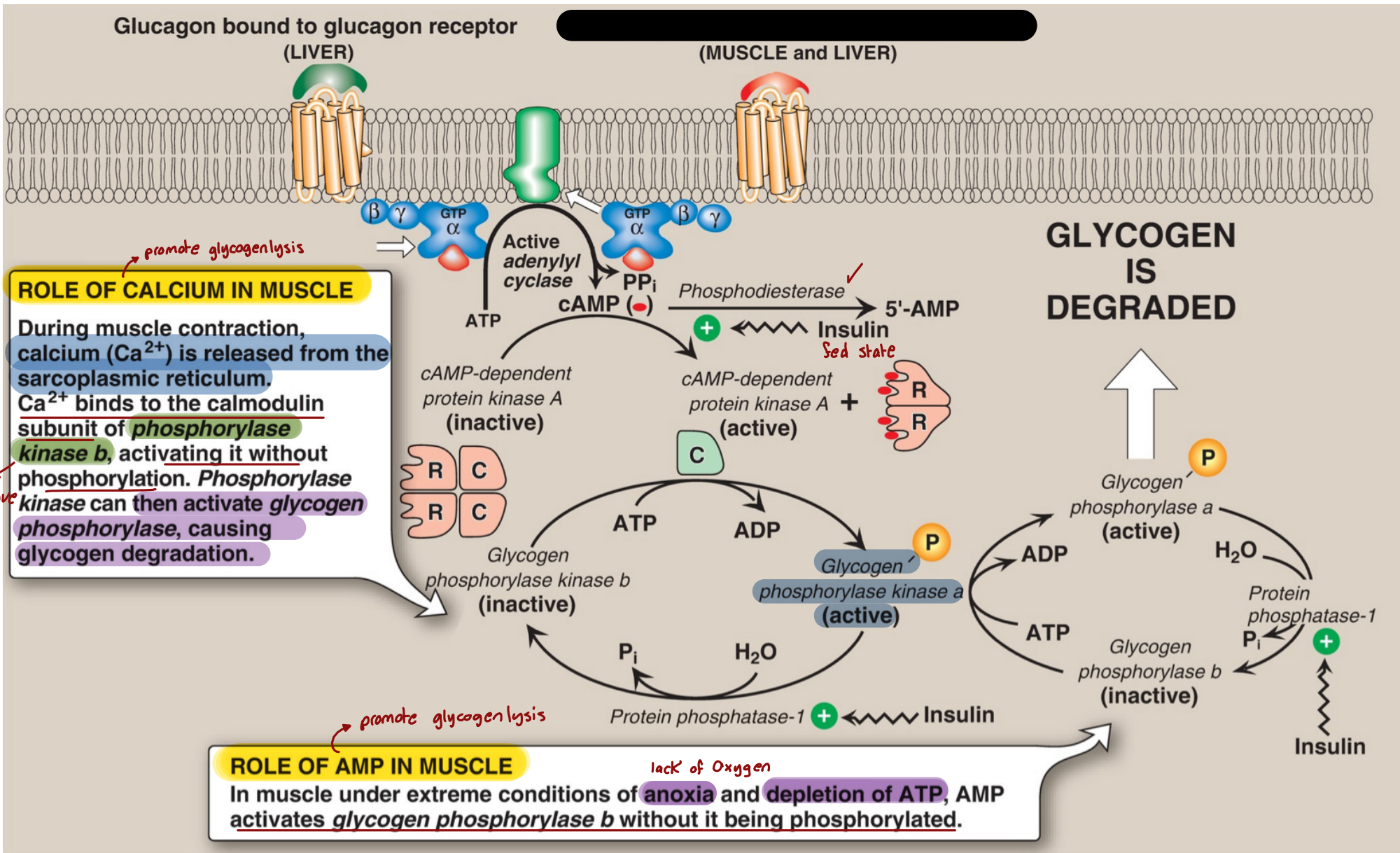
b) Ca^{++}

c) Epinephrine

d) Insulin *inhibit it*

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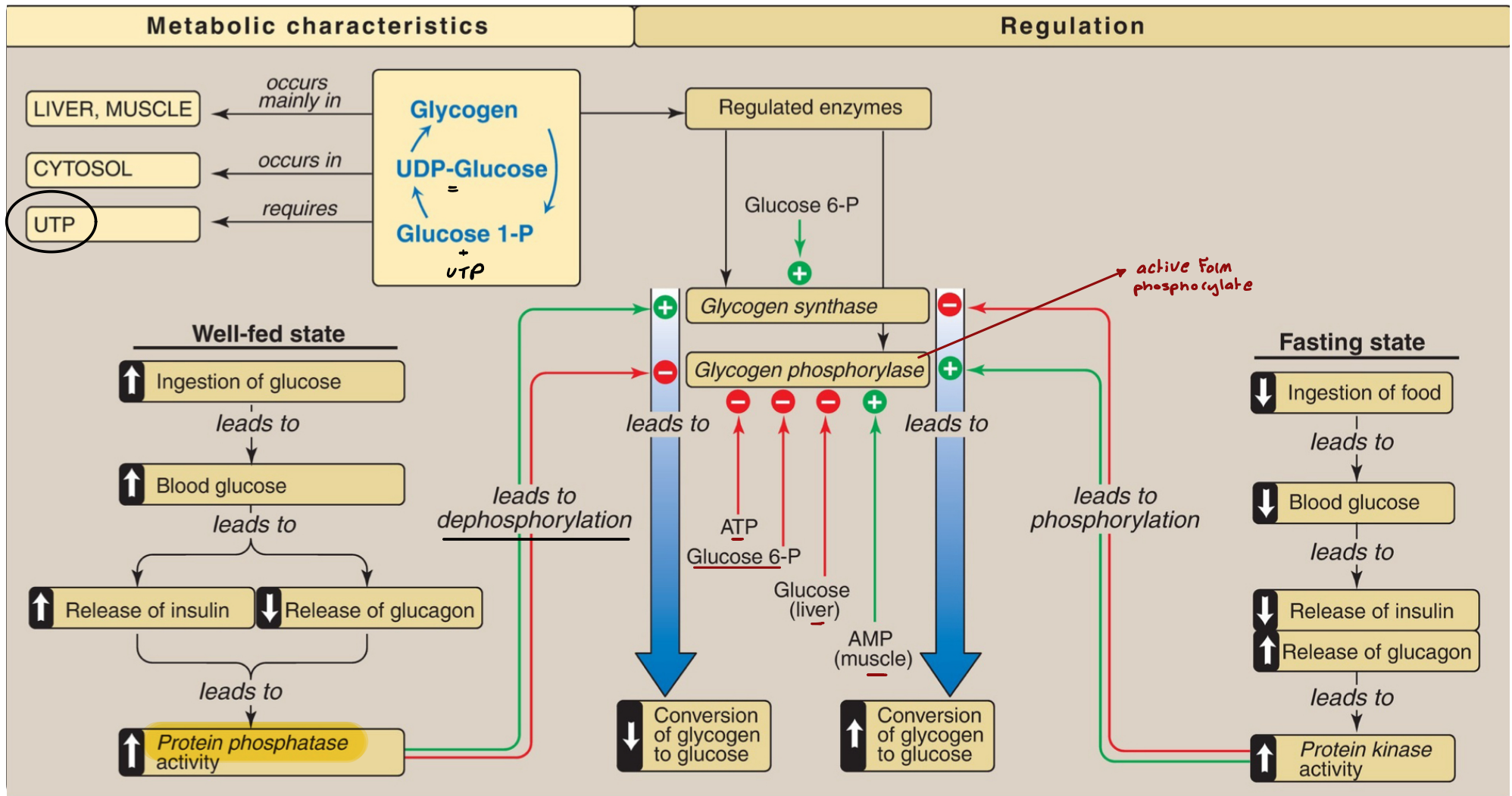
Regulation



6. The active form of glycogen ____ is phosphorylated; the active form of glycogen ____ is dephosphorylated.

- a) hydrolase; dehydrogenase
- b) dehydrogenase; hydrolase
- c) hydrolase; semisynthase
- d) phosphorylase; synthase
- e) synthase; phosphorylase

Regulation



Glycogen storage diseases GSDs

- They result either in formation of glycogen that has an abnormal structure, or in the accumulation of excessive amounts of normal glycogen in specific tissues as a result of impaired degradation.
- A particular enzyme may be defective in a single tissue, such as the liver, or the defect may be more generalized, affecting liver, muscle, kidney, intestine, and myocardium.
- The severity of the glycogen storage diseases (GSDs) ranges from fatal in infancy to mild disorders that are not life-threatening

Glycogen storage diseases happen because of a defect in an enzyme involved in:

- glycogen synthesis → abnormal glycogen structure
- OR
- glycogen breakdown → excess glycogen accumulation