Chem 352 - Lecture 7
Introduction to Metabolism

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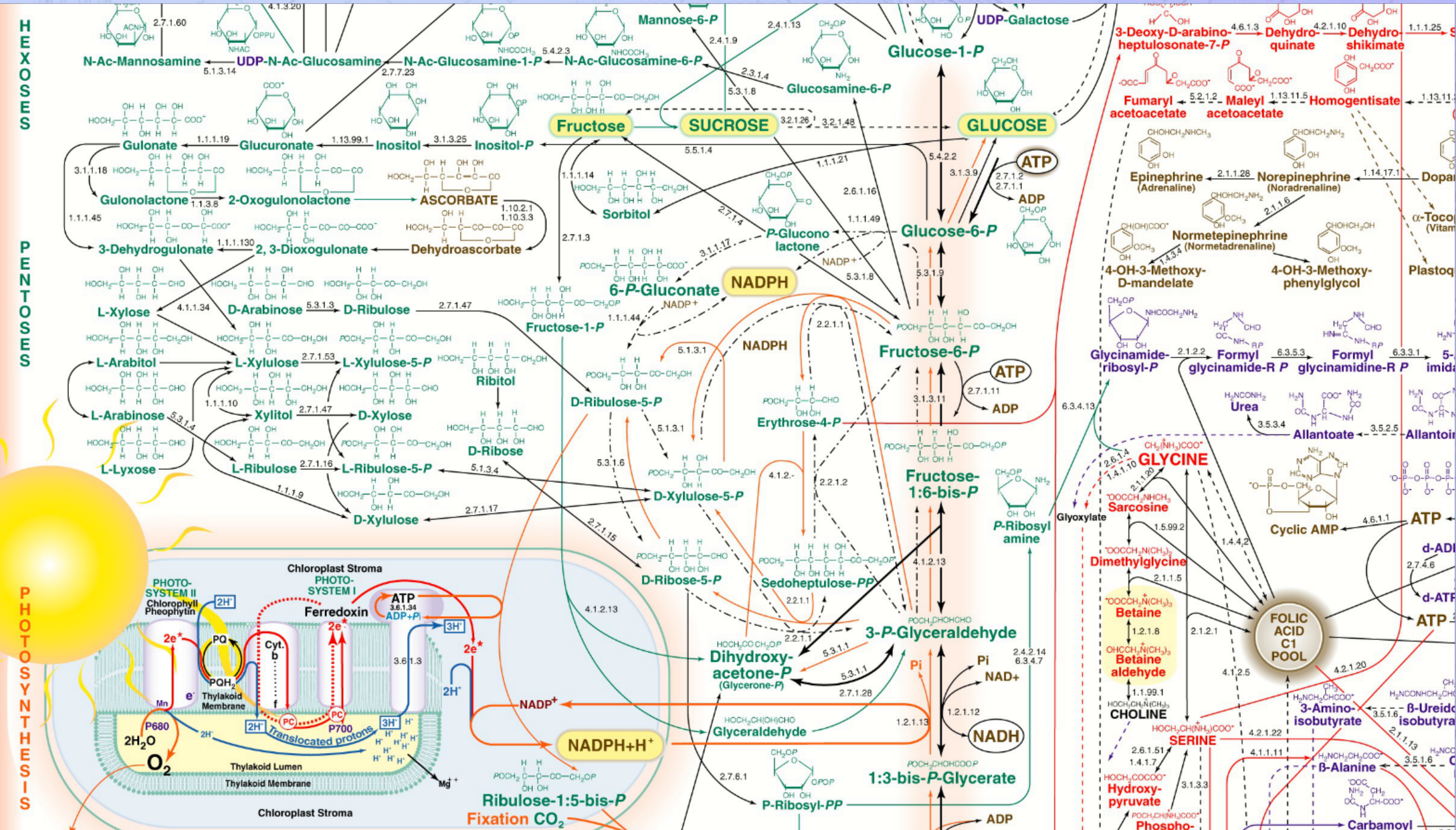

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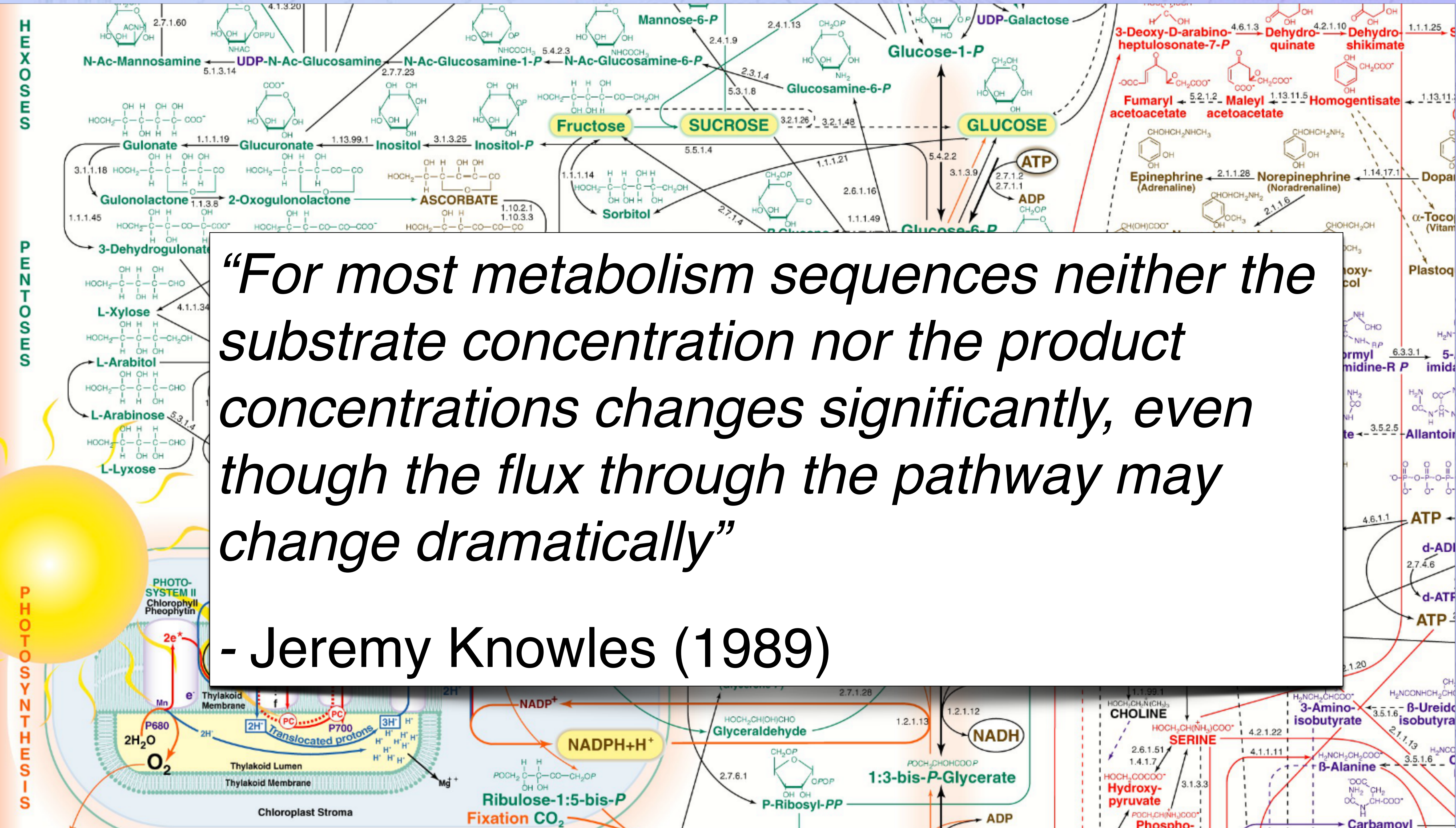

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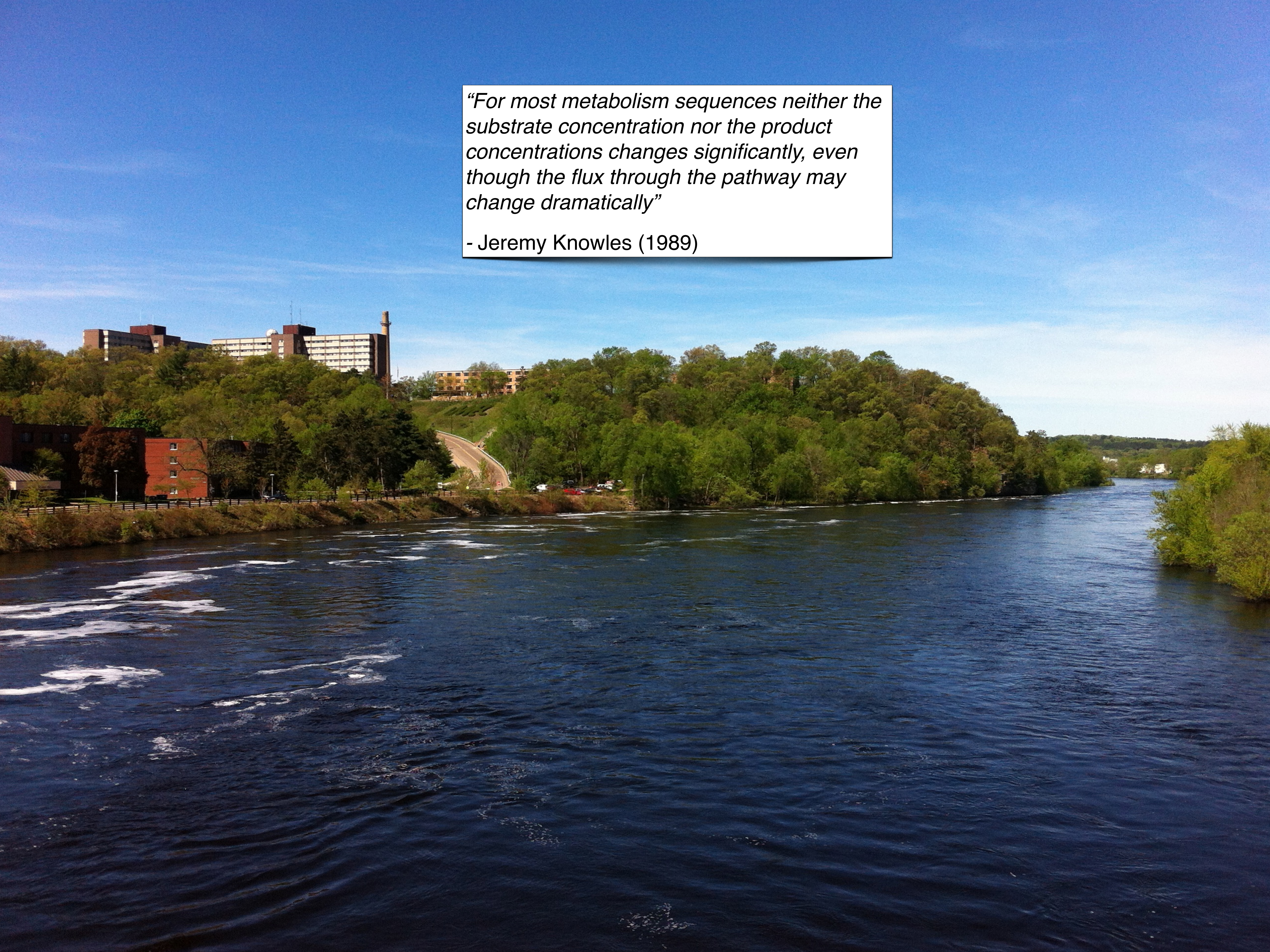

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- Metabolism is divided into two complimentary sets of reactions.
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    - The synthetic reactions, which usually require an input in free energy.
  - **Catabolic reaction (catabolism)**
    - The degradative reactions, which usually lead to a release of free energy.

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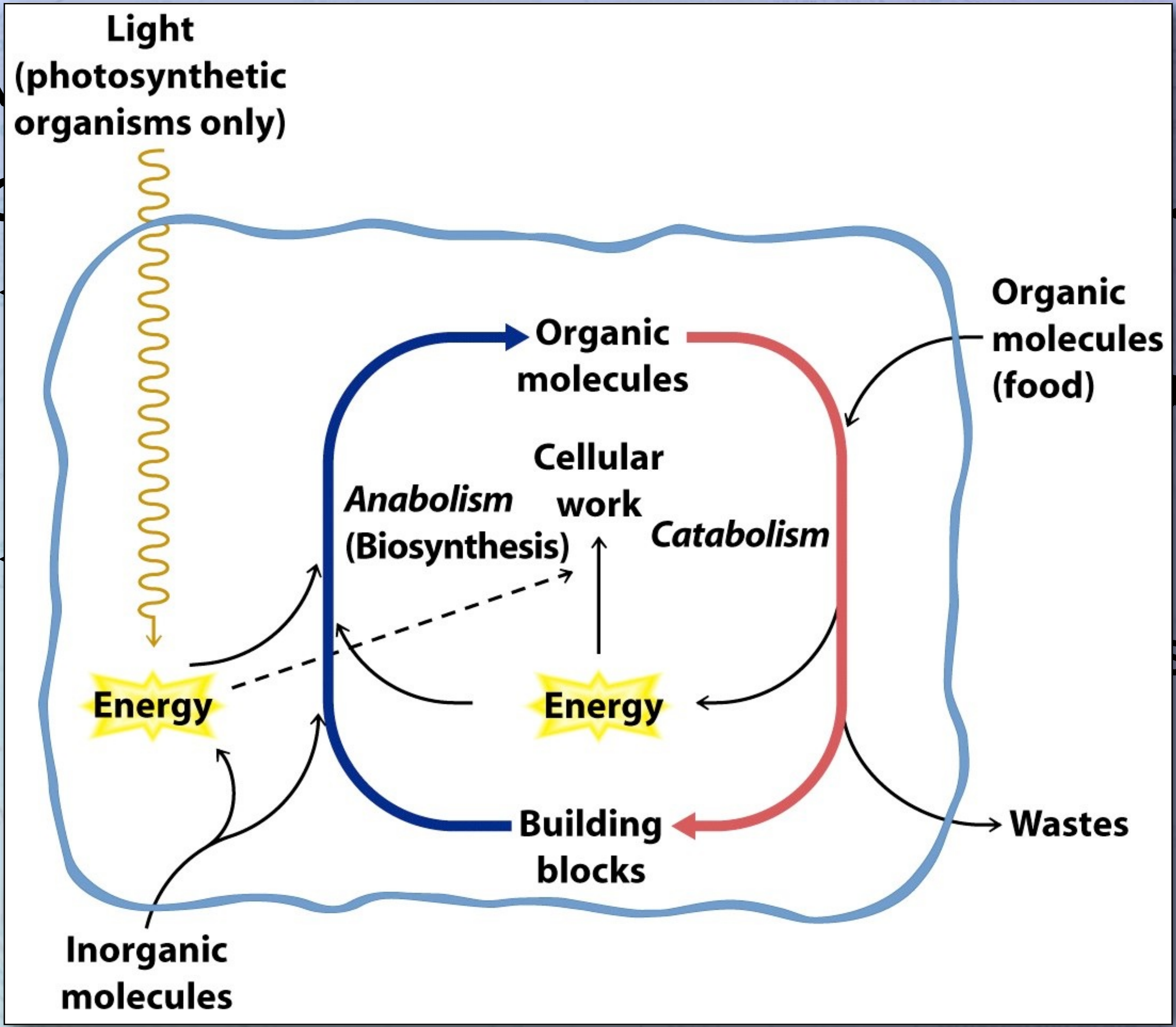

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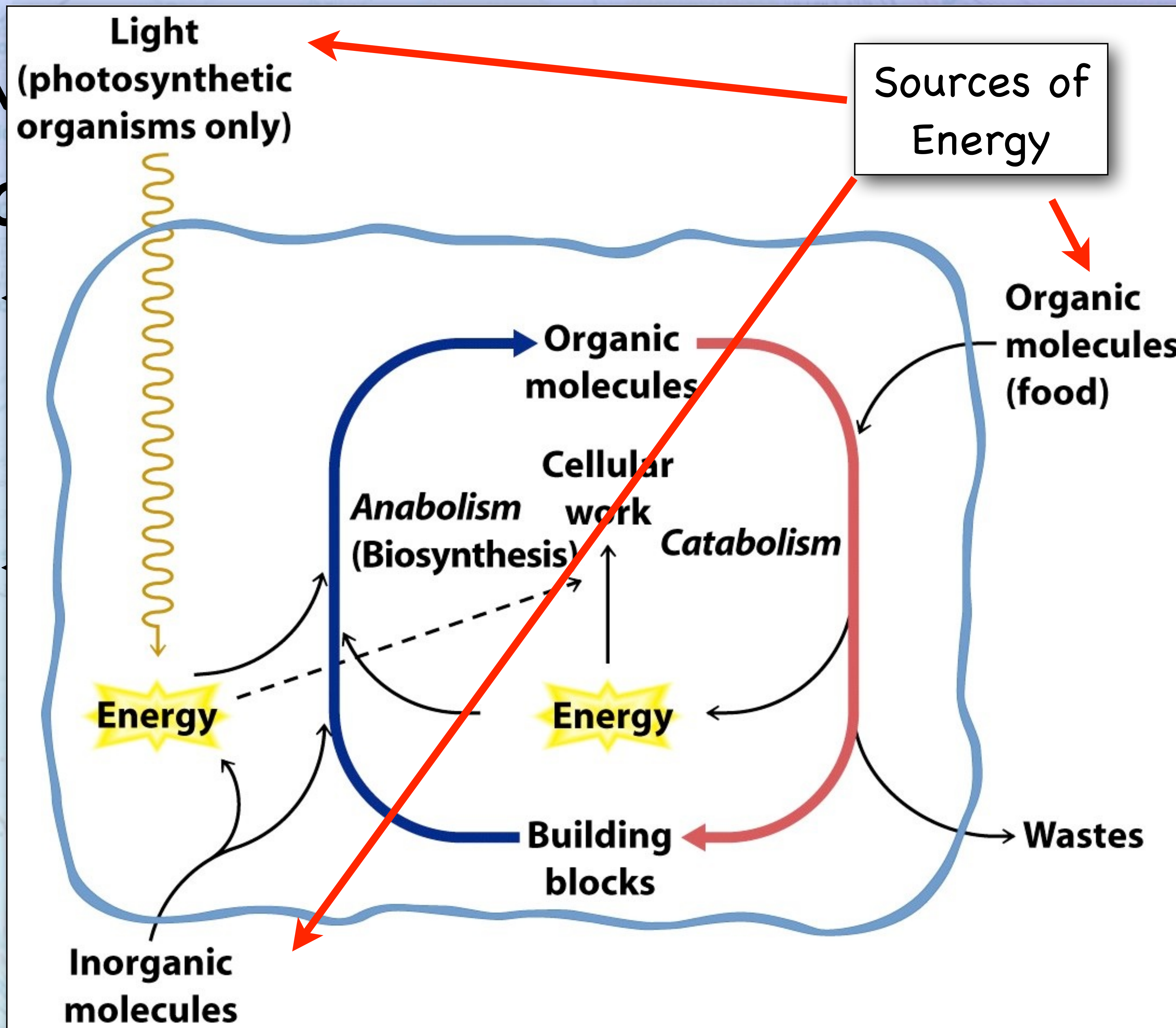

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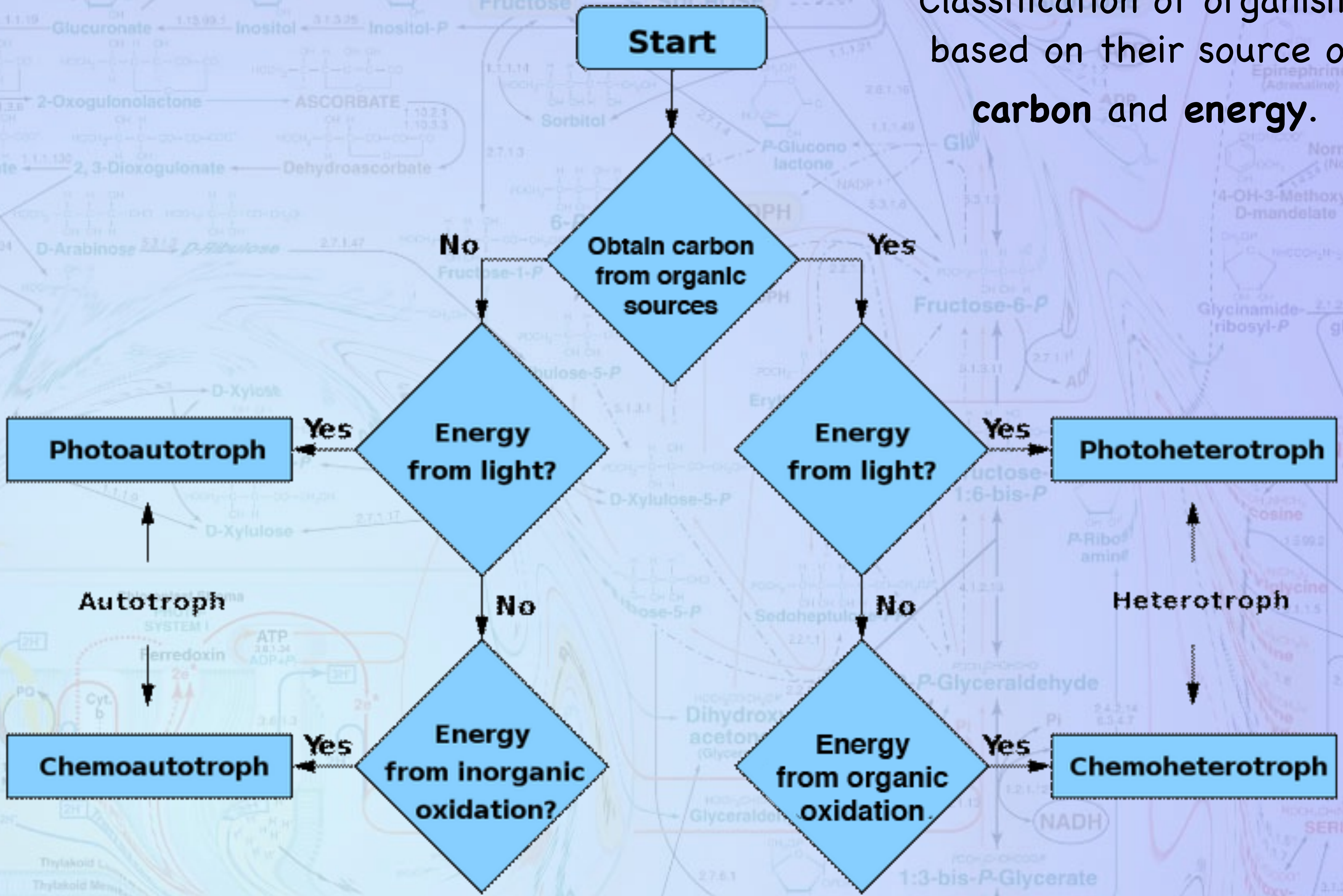

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- Organisms or cells maintain specific internal concentrations of inorganic ions, metabolites, and enzymes. Cell membranes provide the physical barrier that segregates cell components from the environment.

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Common themes in metabolism:

- Organisms extract energy from external sources to drive energy-consuming reactions. Photosynthetic organisms derive energy from the conversion of solar energy to chemical energy. Other organisms obtain energy from the ingestion and catabolism of energy-yielding compounds

Metabolic Pathways

Common themes in metabolism:

- The metabolic pathways in each organism are specified by the genes it contains in its genome.

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Common themes in metabolism:

- Organisms and cells interact with their environment. The activities of cells must be geared to the availability of energy. Organisms grow and reproduce when the supply of energy from the environment is plentiful. When the supply of energy from the environment is limited, energy demands can be temporarily met by using internal stores or by slowing metabolic rates as in hibernation, sporulation, or seed formation. If the shortage is prolonged, organisms die.

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Common themes in metabolism:

- The cells of organisms are not static assemblies of molecules. Many cell components are continually synthesized and degraded, that is, they undergo turnover, even though their concentrations may remain virtually constant. The concentrations of other compounds change in response to changes in external or internal conditions.

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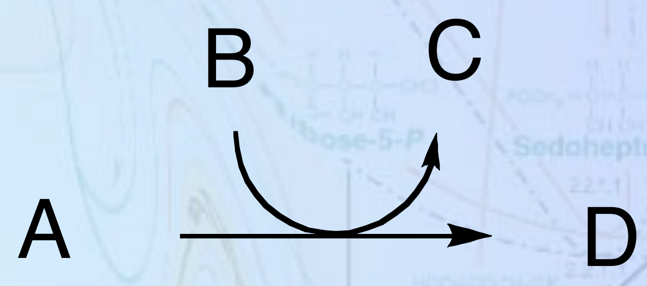

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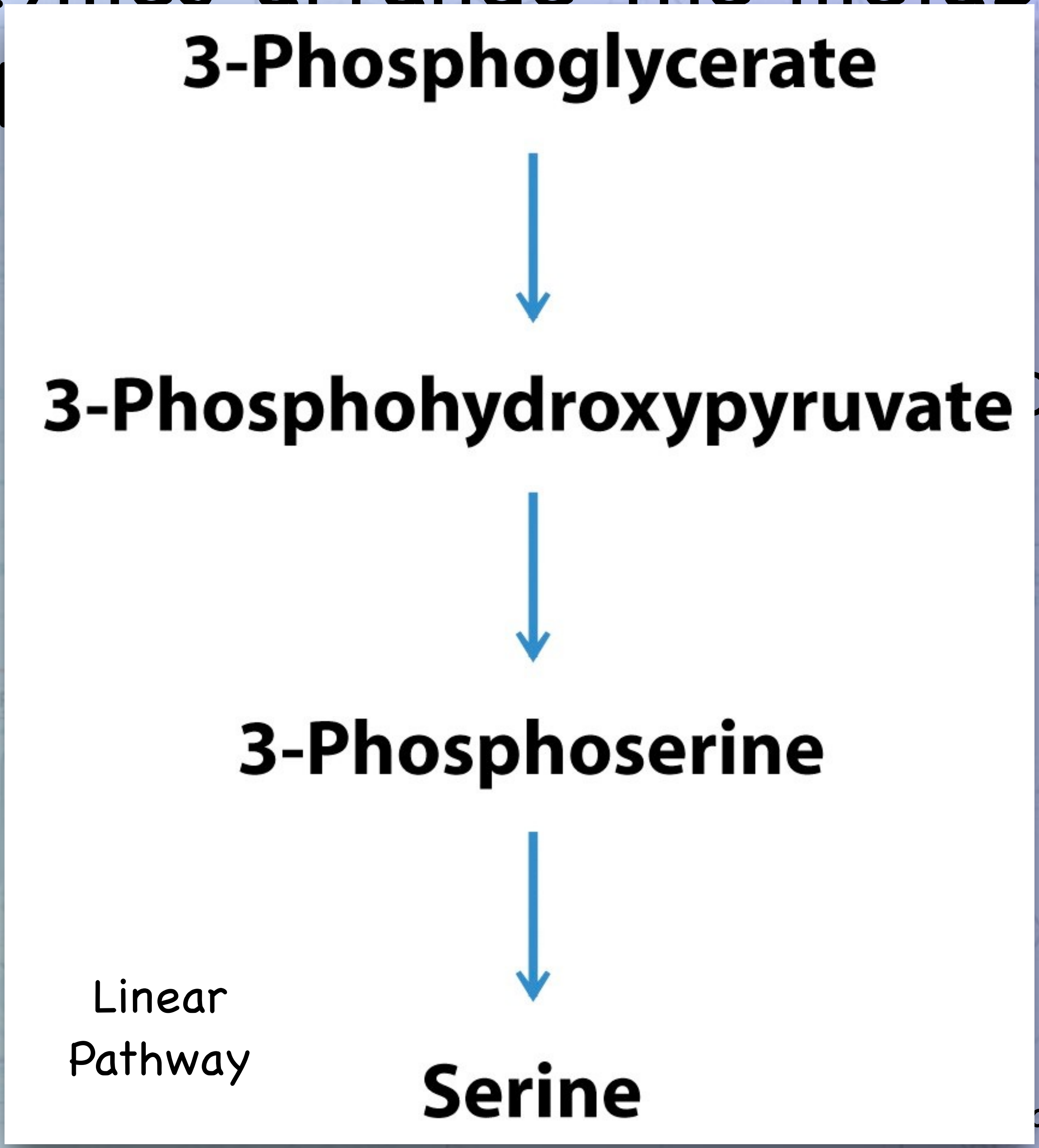

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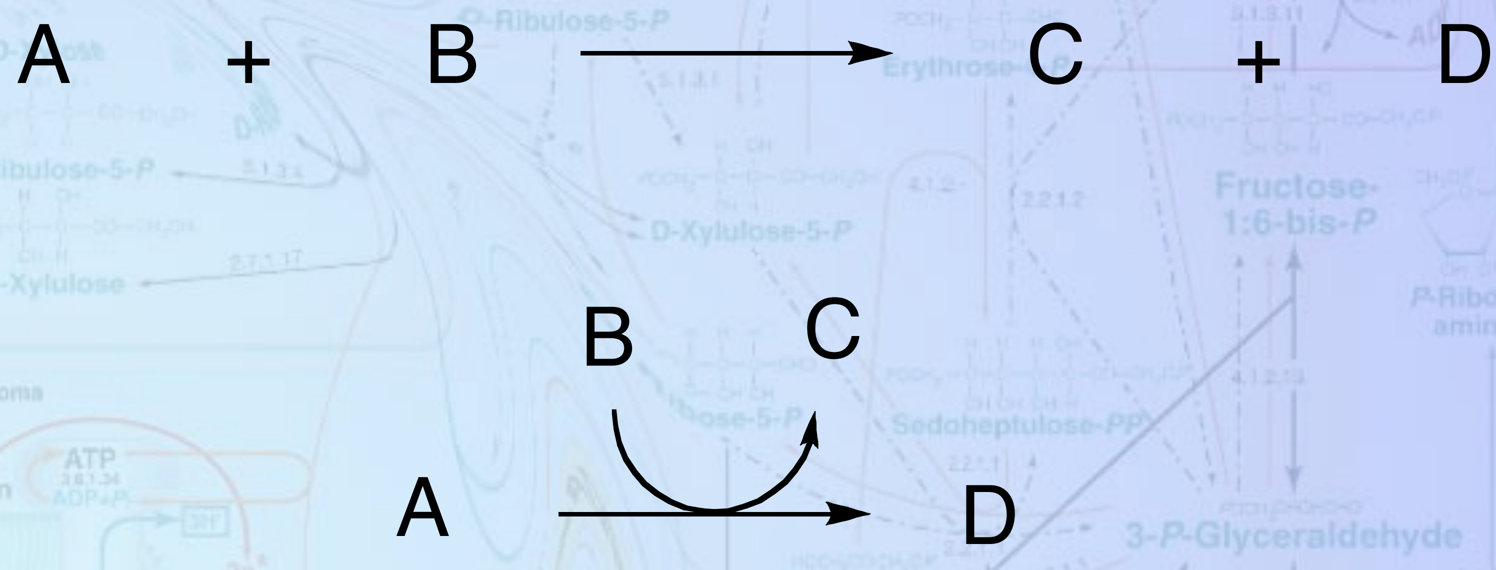

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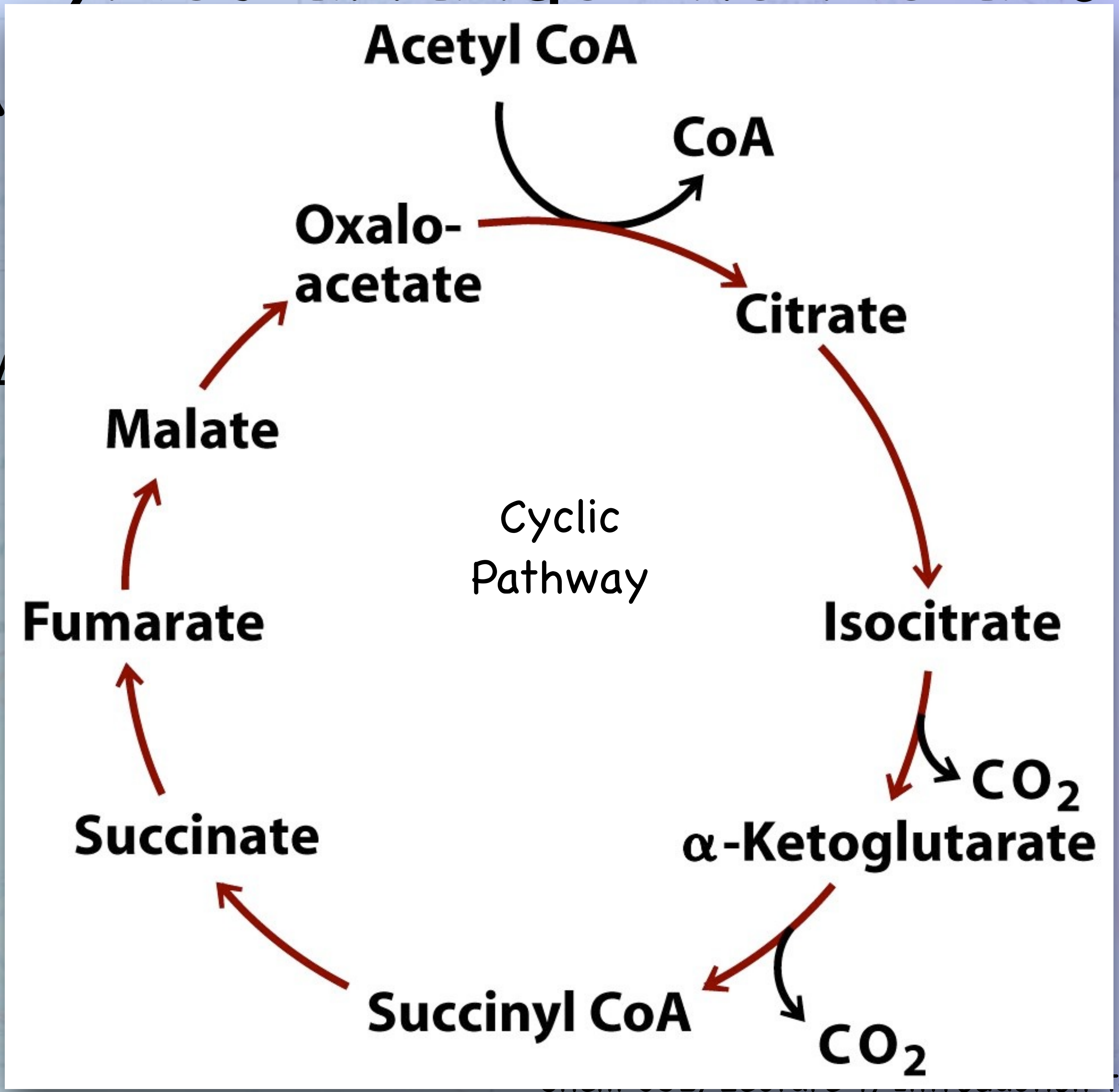

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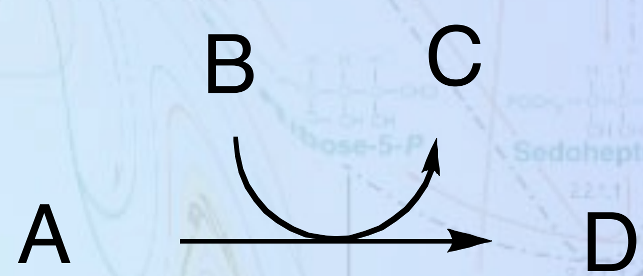

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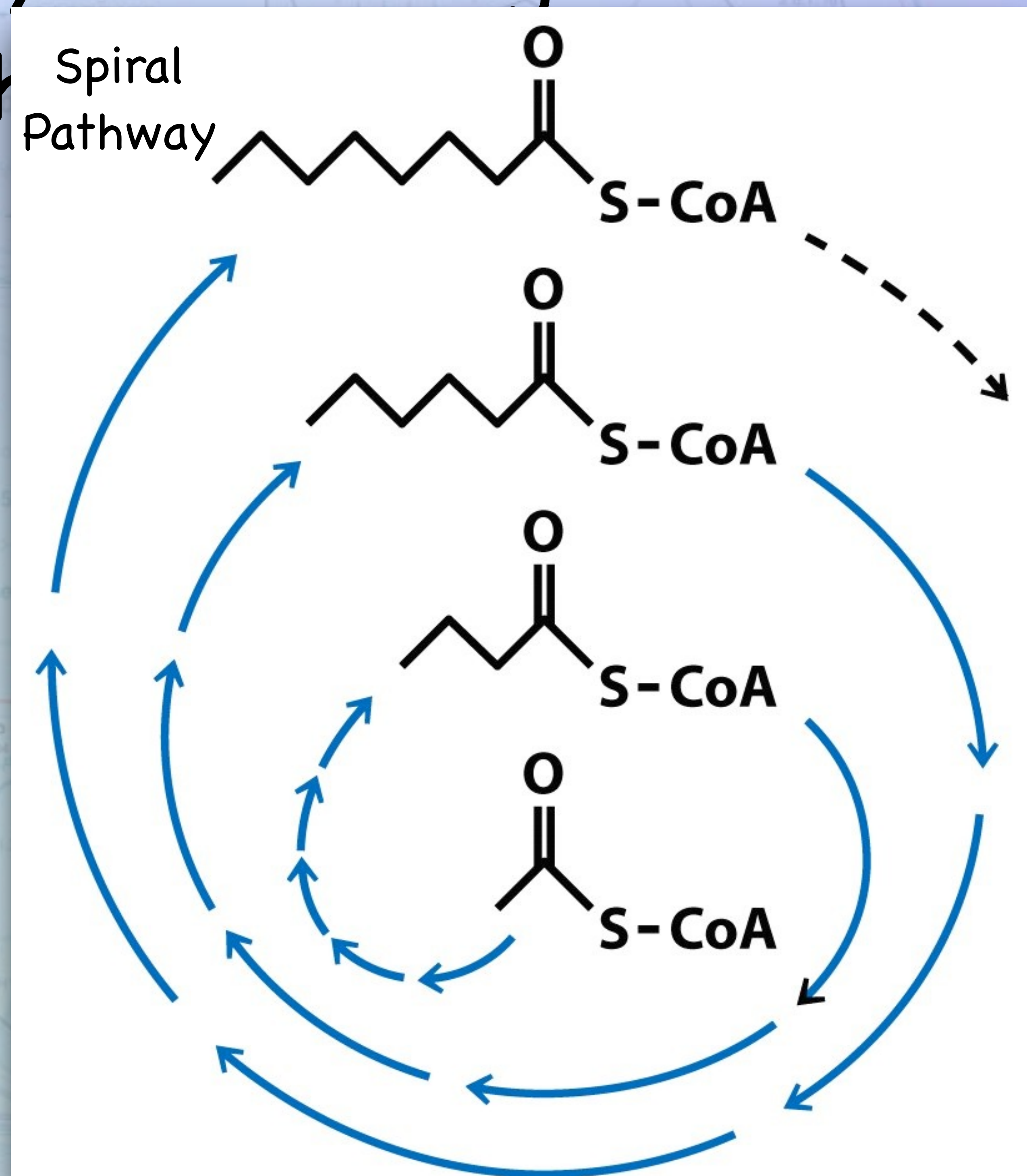

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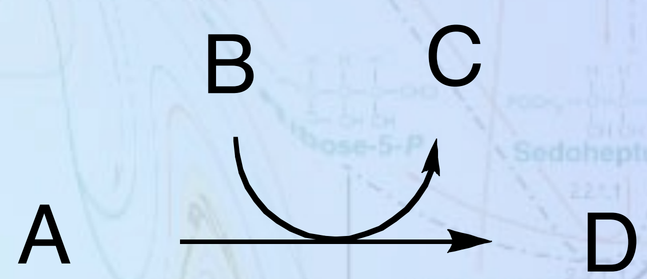

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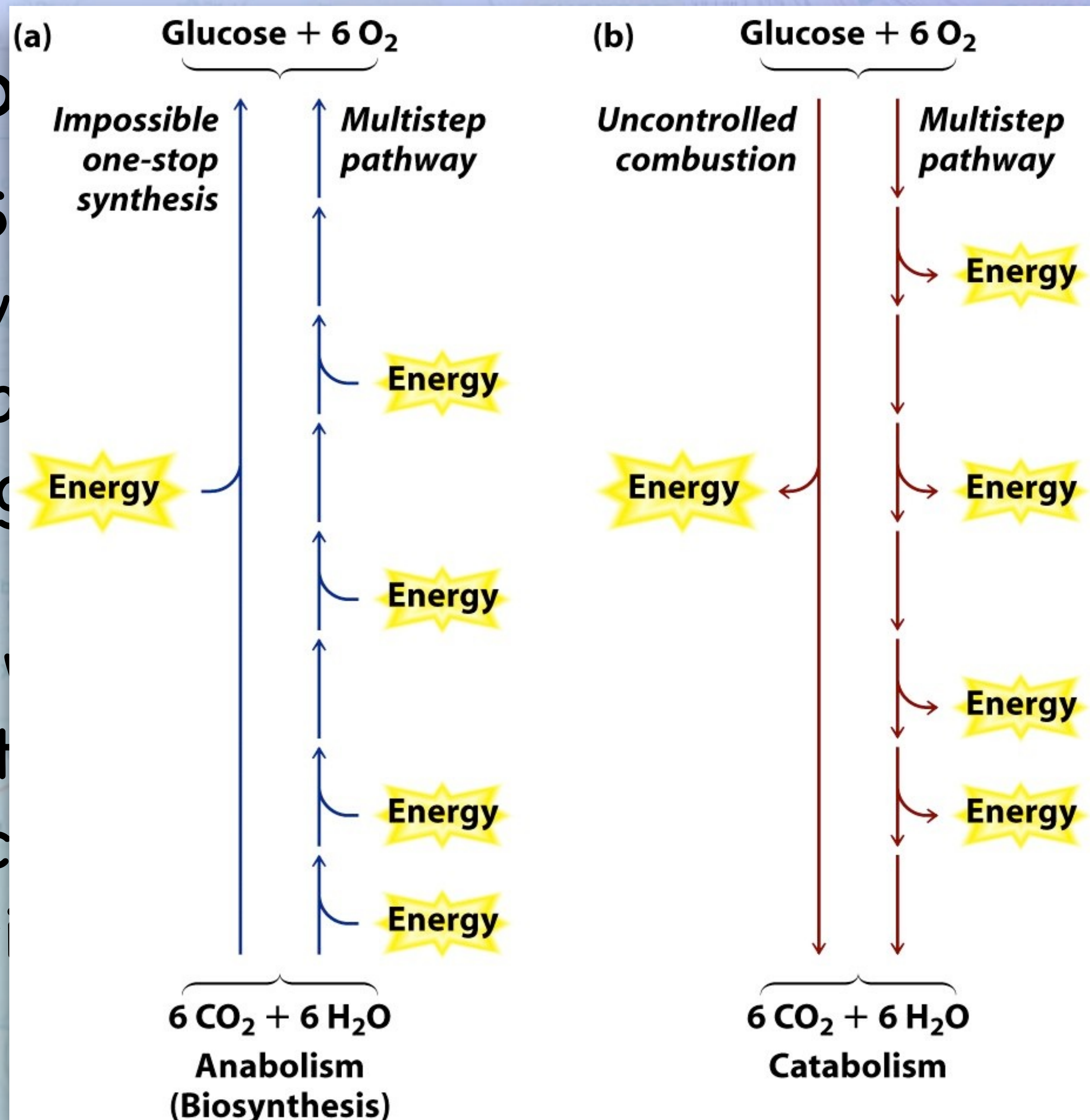

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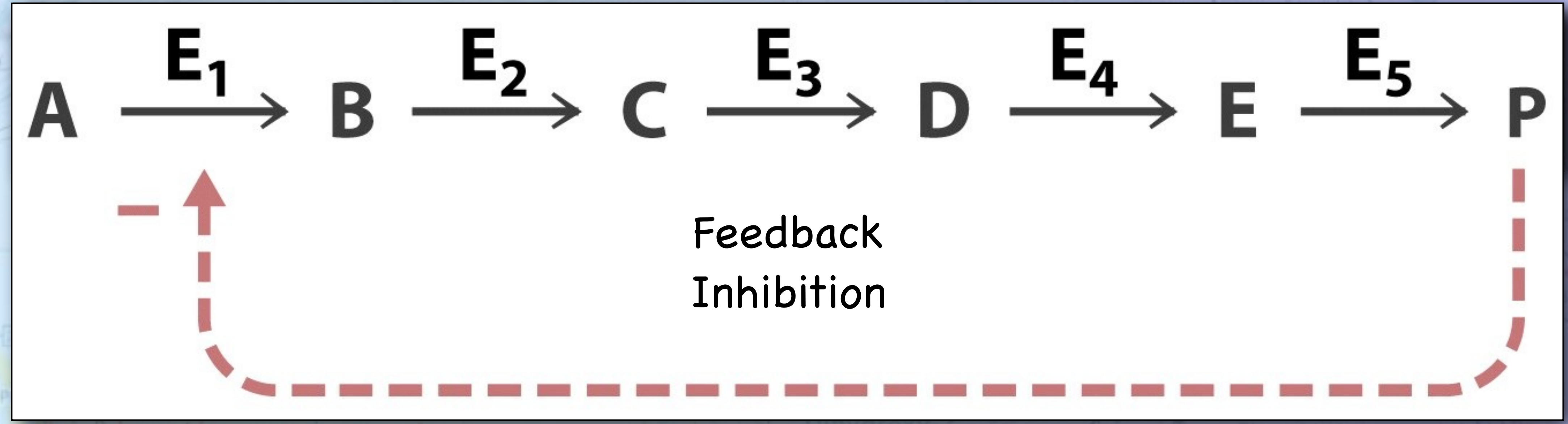

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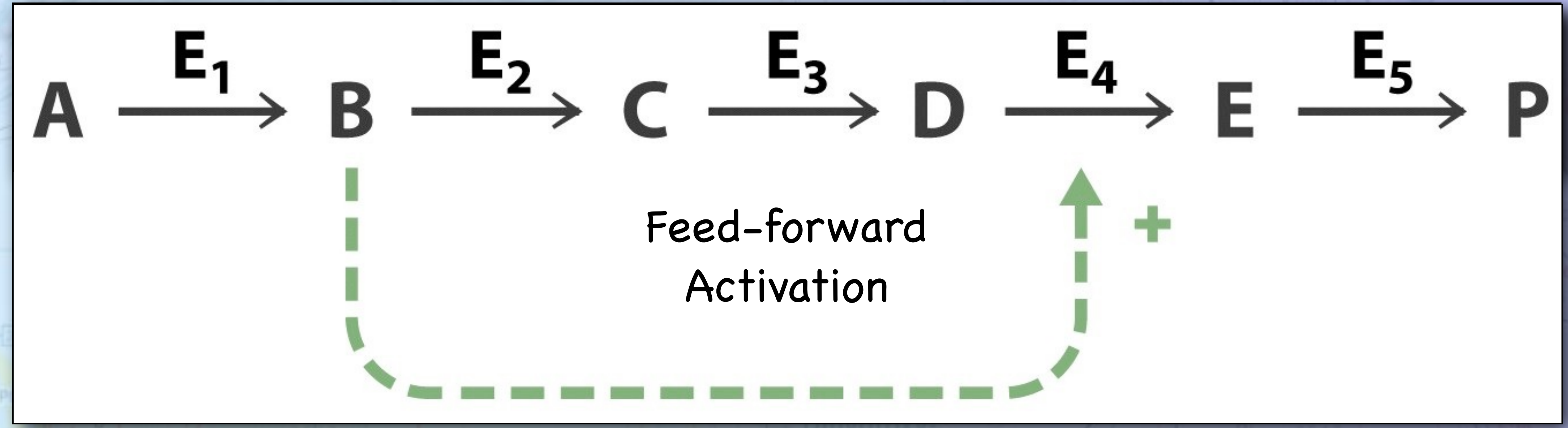

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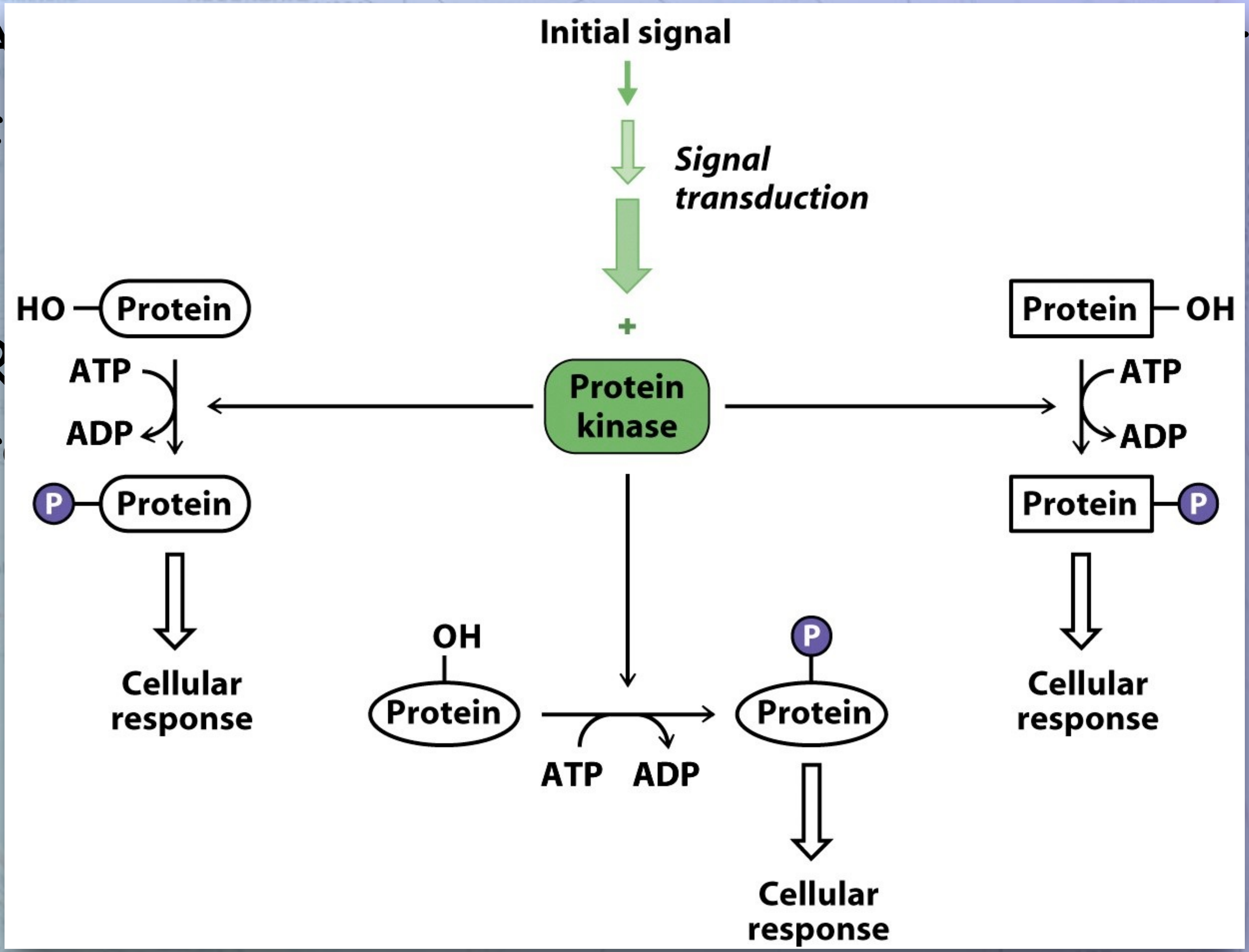

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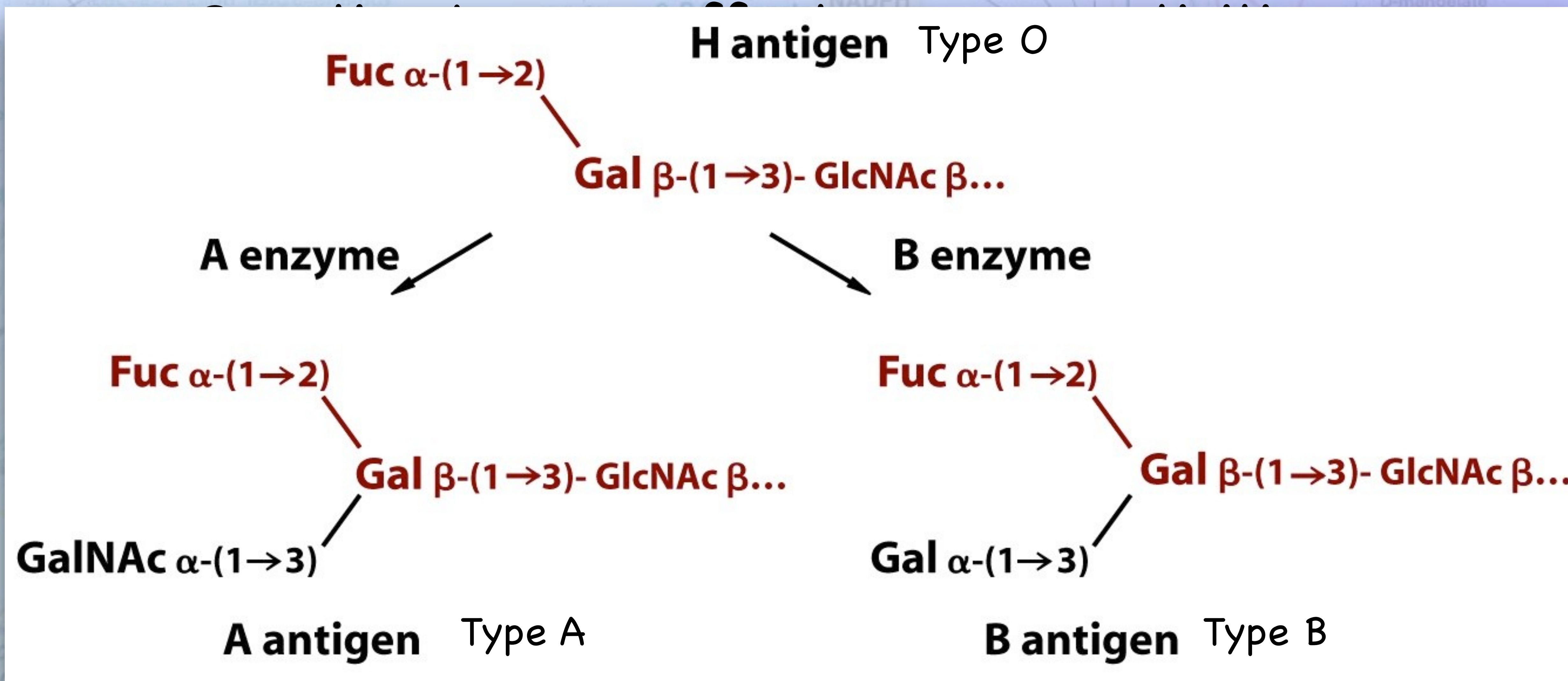

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Jennifer Czubakowski holds a picture of her brother, Tommy along with her parents Theresa and Ron in the living room of their Eau Claire home. Jenny Czubakowski held a picture of her late brother, Tommy, at the rural Eau Claire home she shares with their parents, Theresa and Ron. The family is trying to help people be aware of ornithine transcarbamylase deficiency, or OTC, which Tommy had.

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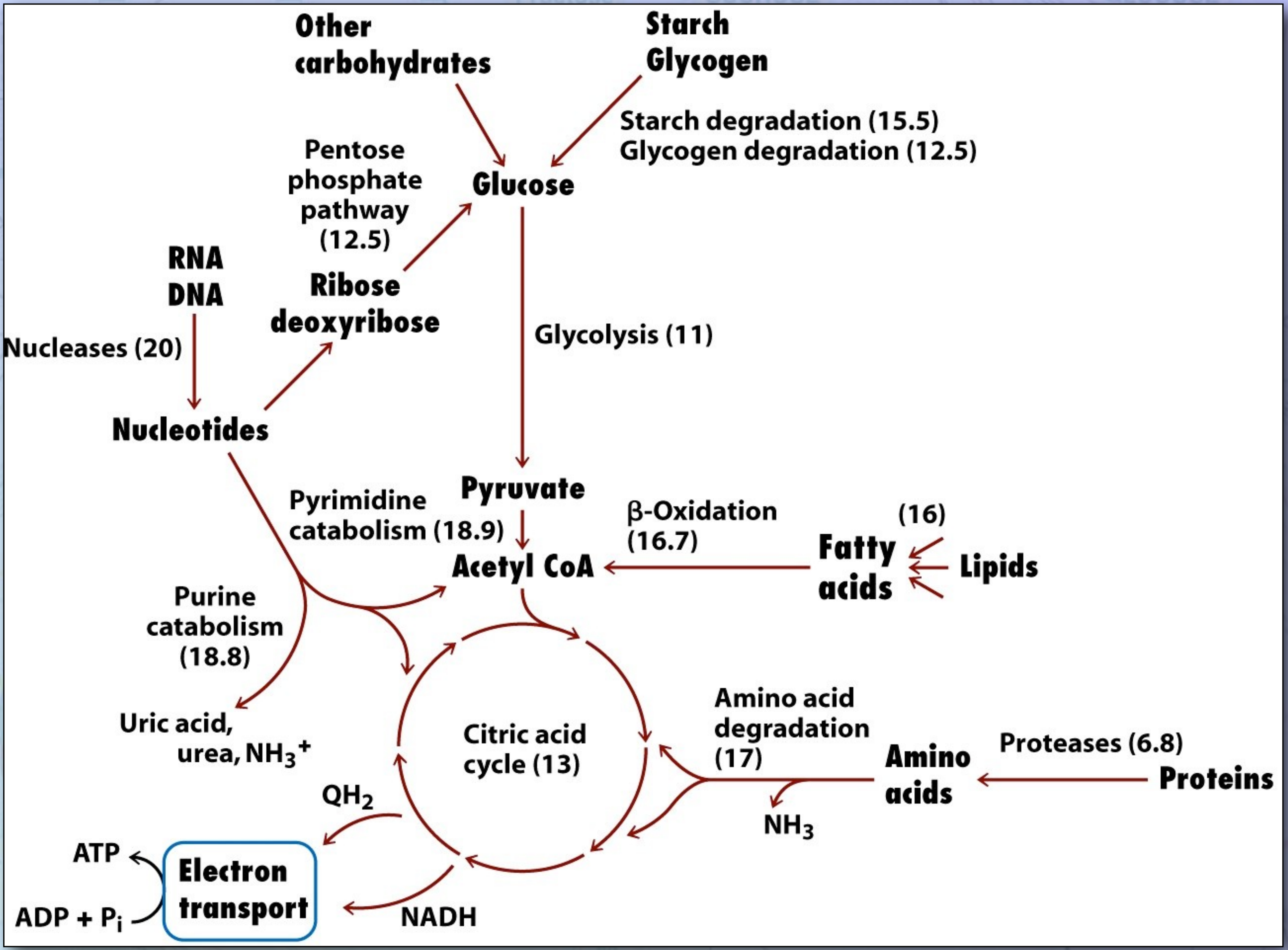

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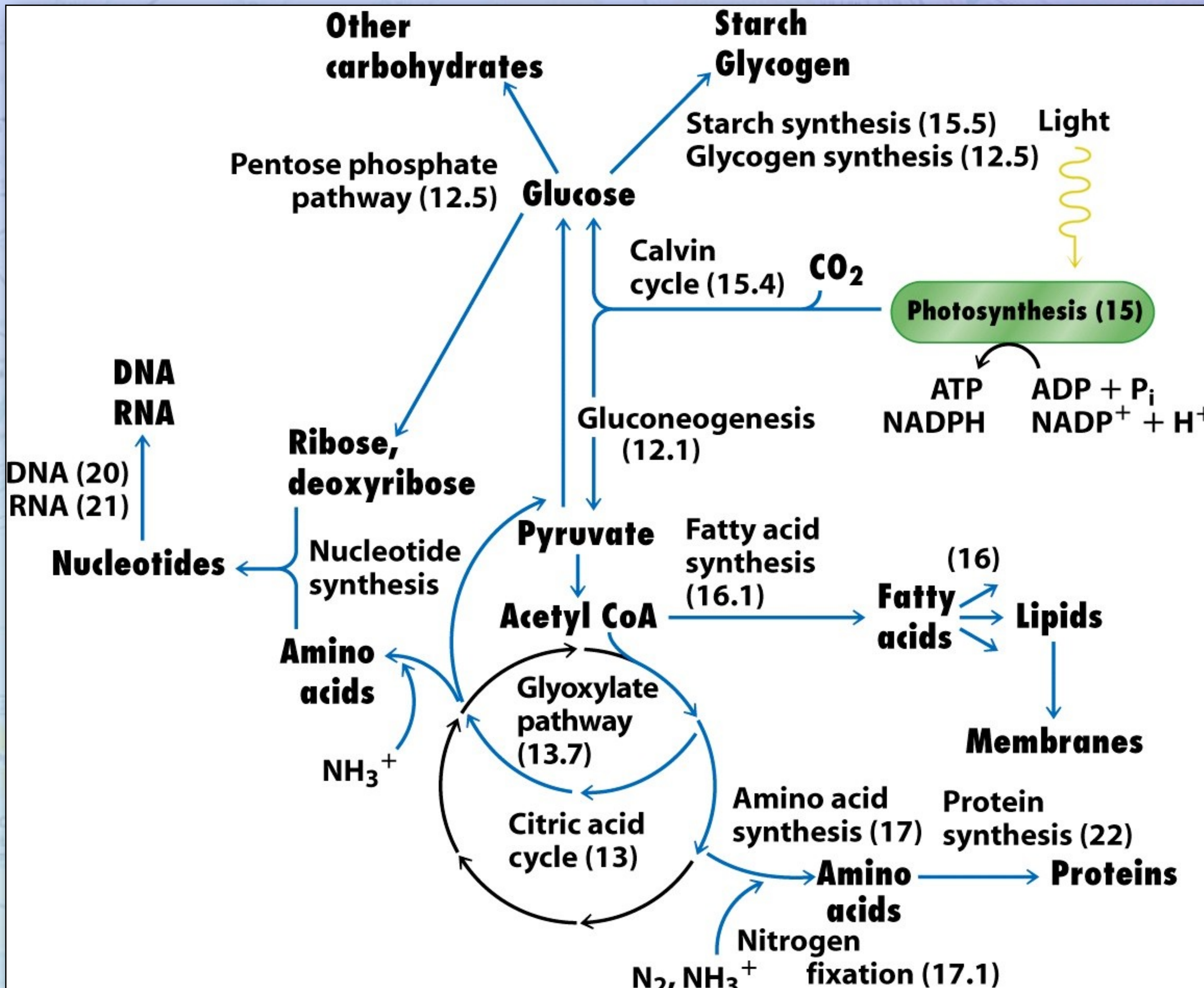

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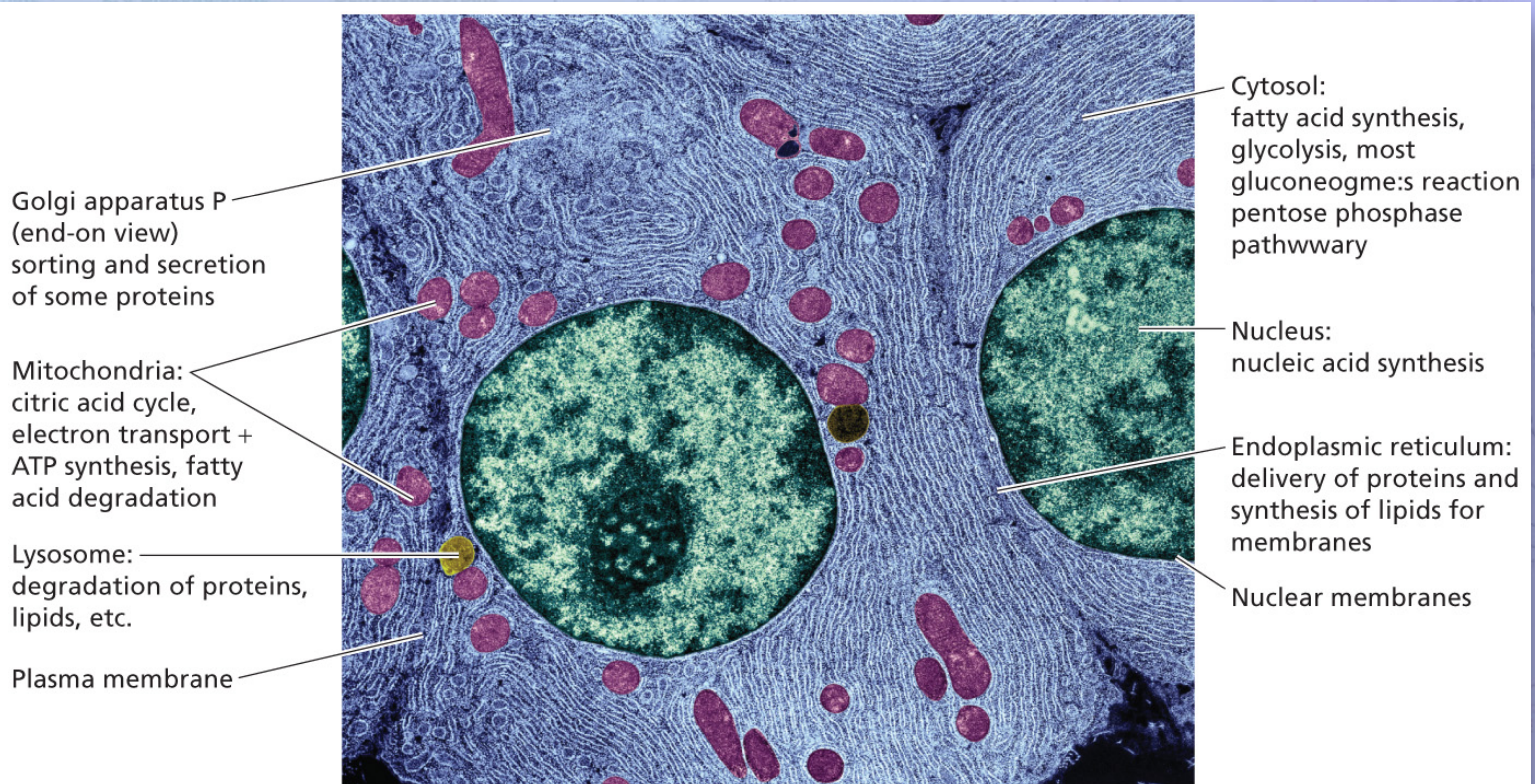
- In many organisms, the various pathways are regulated through compartmentalization.



Spontaneity of Metabolic Reactions

- The spontaneity (favorability) of a chemical reaction can be determined from its Gibbs Free Energy (ΔG)

$$\Delta G = \Delta G^{0'} + RT\ln\left(\frac{[\text{products}]}{[\text{reactants}]}\right)$$

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- The actual conditions within the cell must be considered when determining a ΔG value.

$$\Delta G = \Delta G^{o'} + RT \ln\left(\frac{[C][D]}{[A][B]}\right)$$

$$Q = \left(\frac{[C][D]}{[A][B]}\right)$$ is the mass action ratio

Spontaneity of Metabolic Reactions

- When $Q \approx K_{eq}$ a reaction is reversible.
- When $Q < K_{eq}$ a reaction is spontaneous and irreversible.
- When $Q > K_{eq}$ a reaction is non-spontaneous and irreversible

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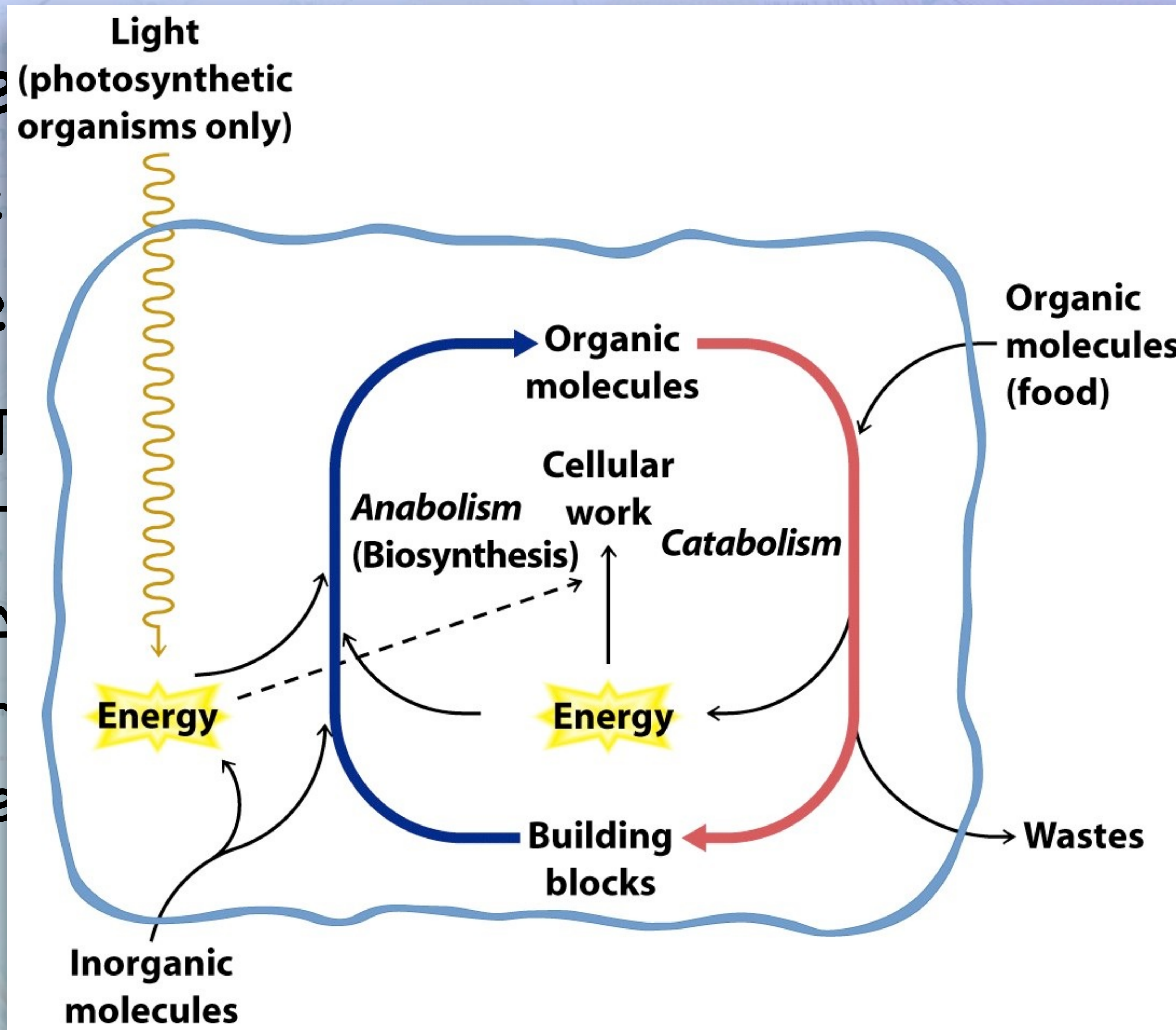

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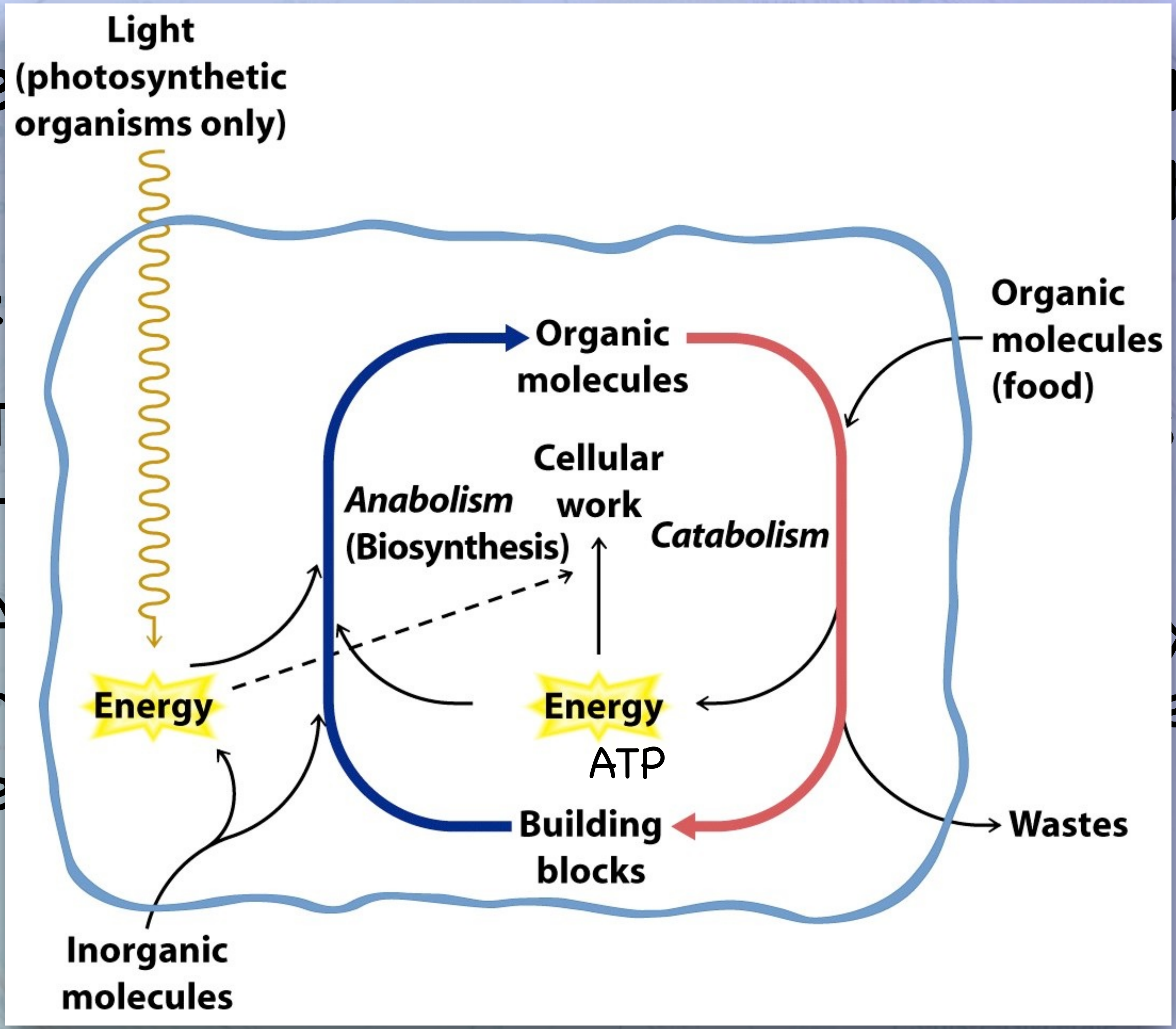

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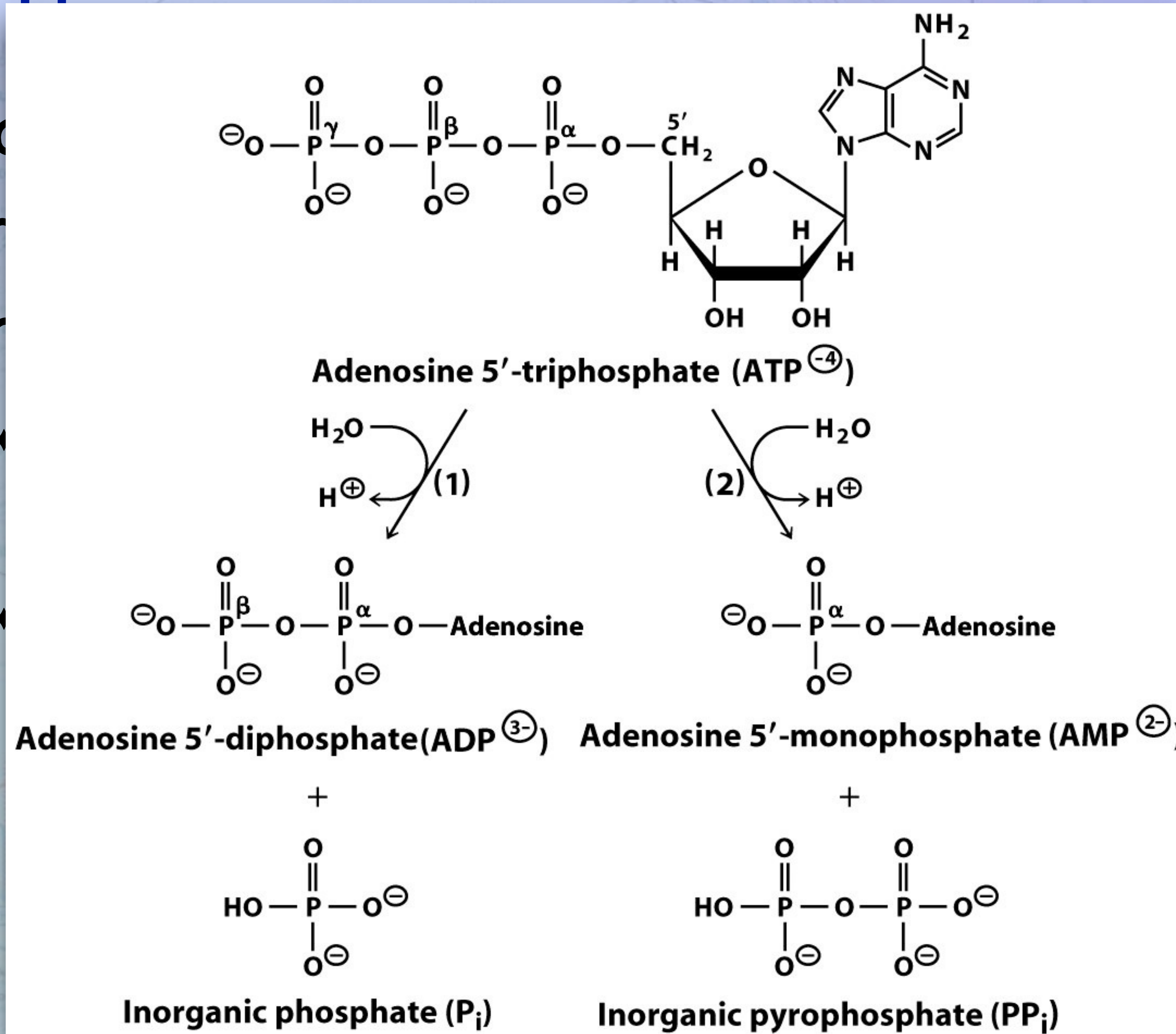

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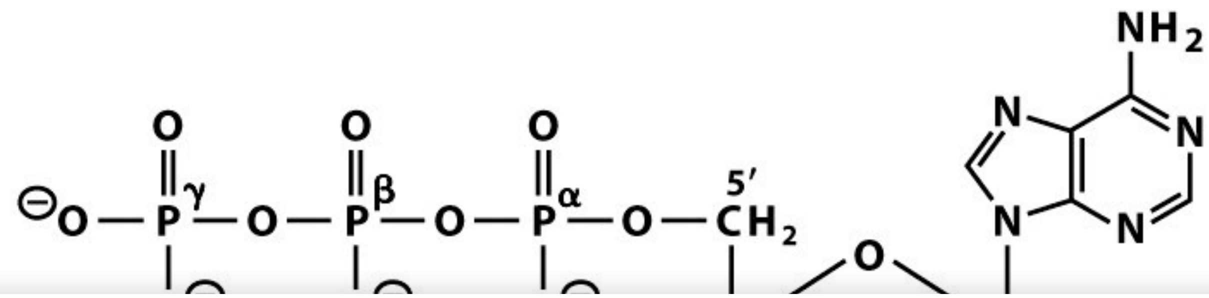

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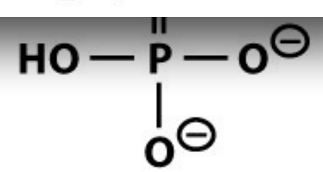

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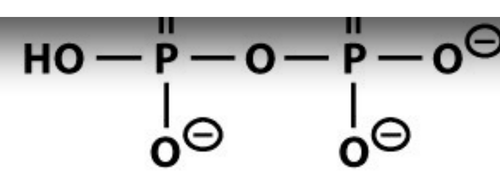

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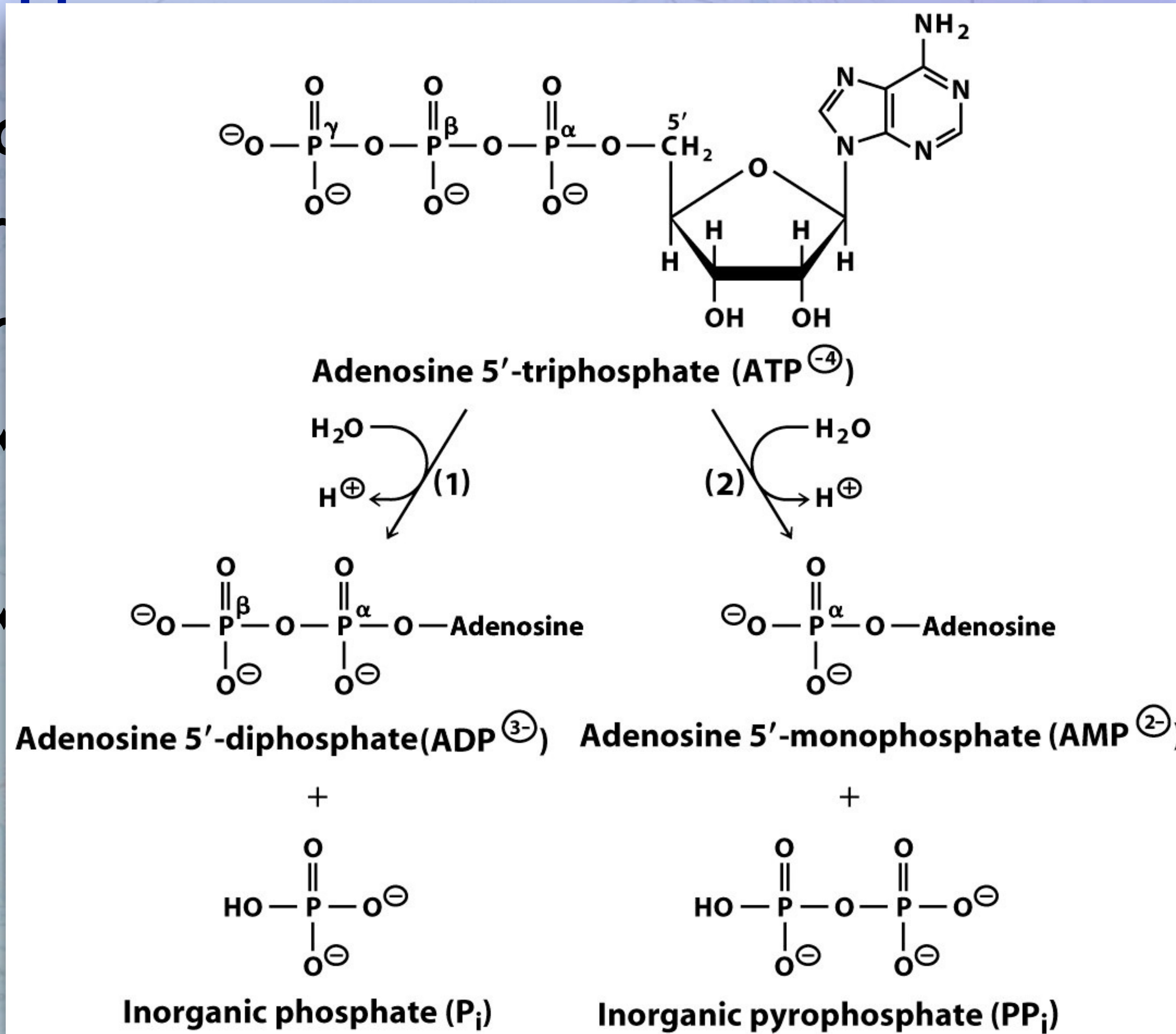

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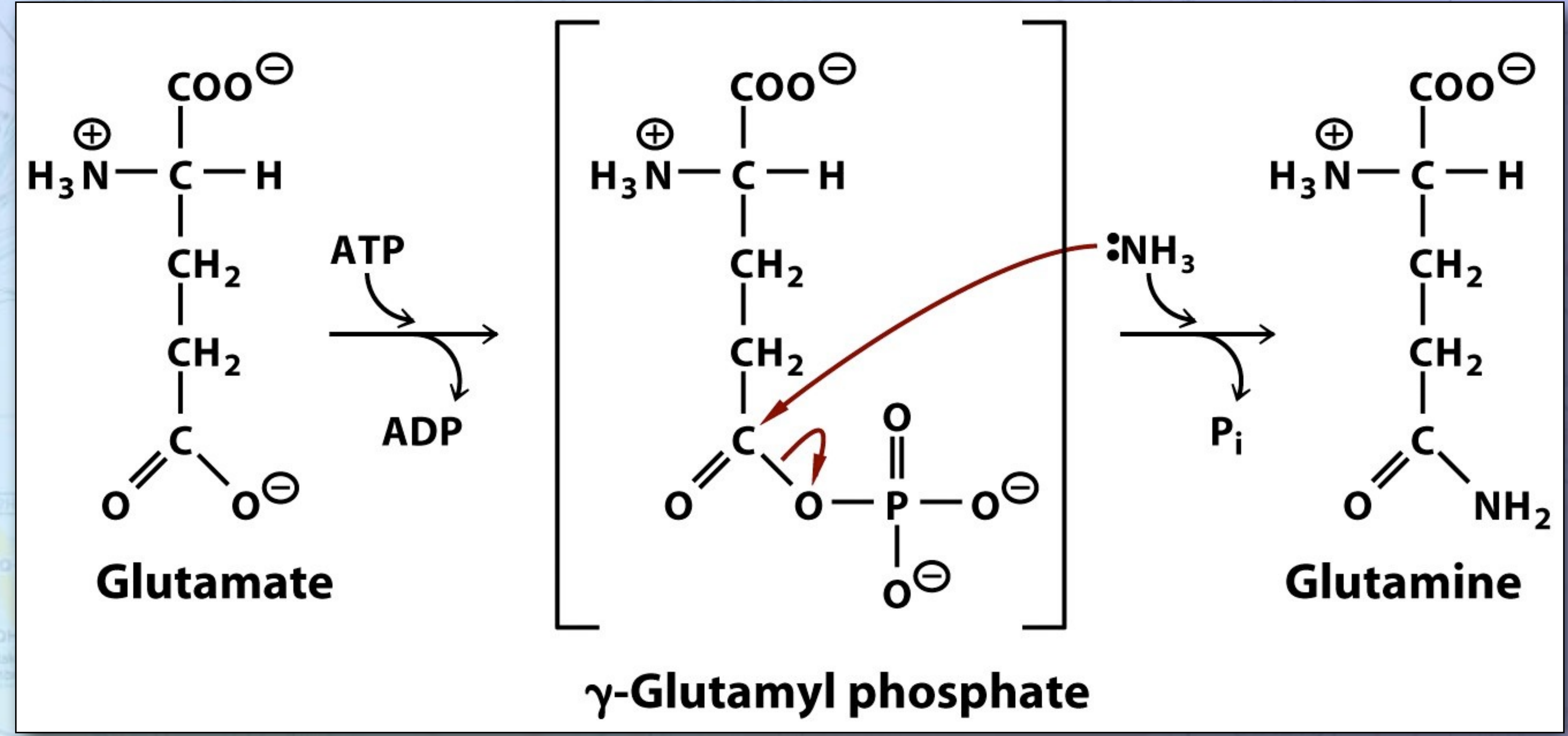

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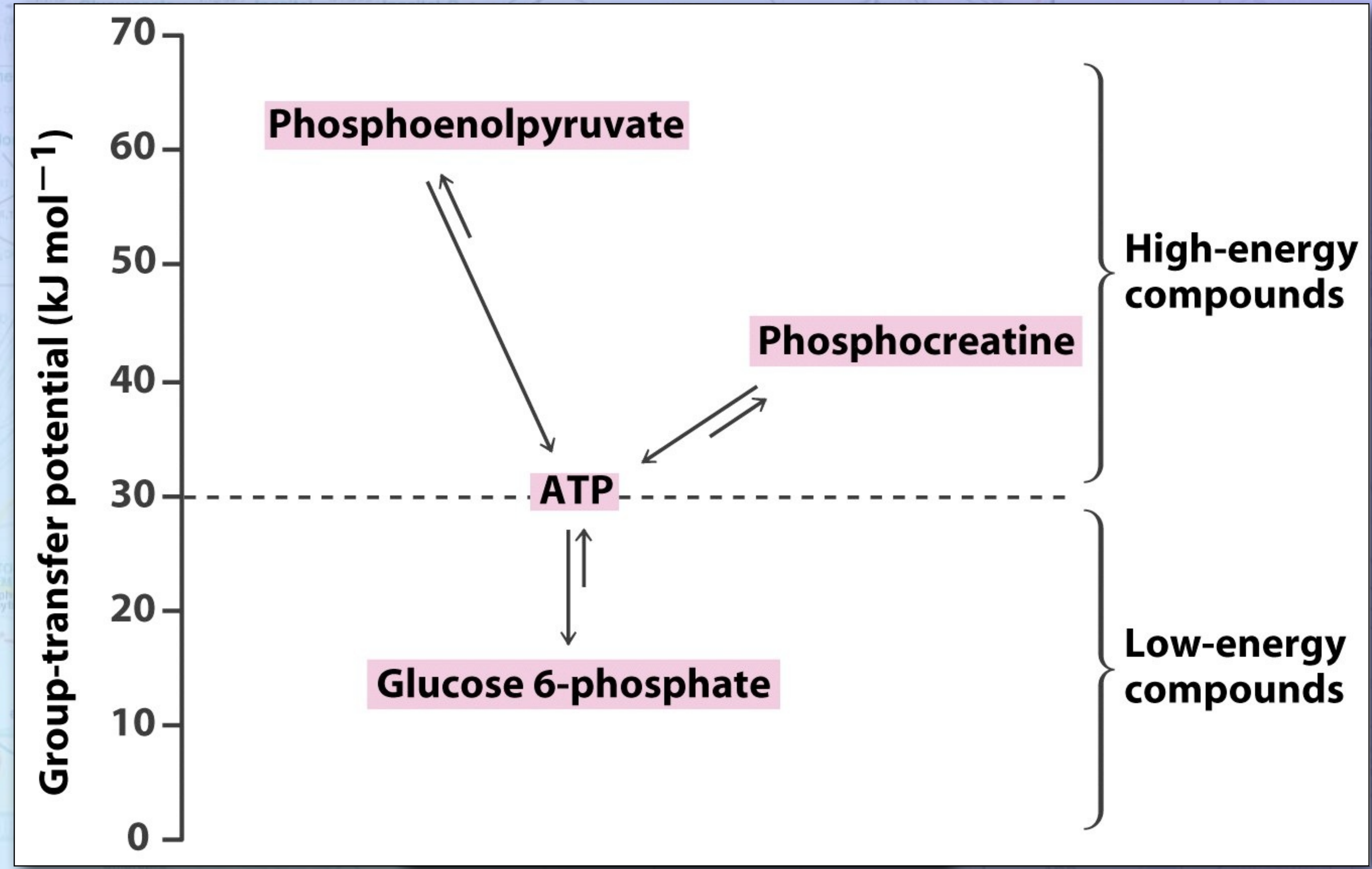
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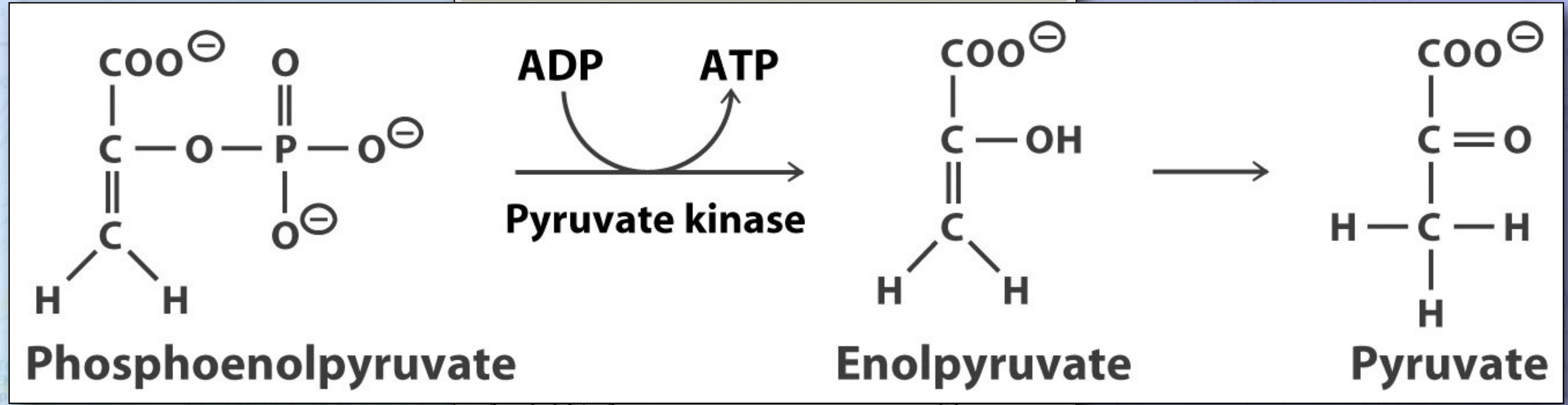

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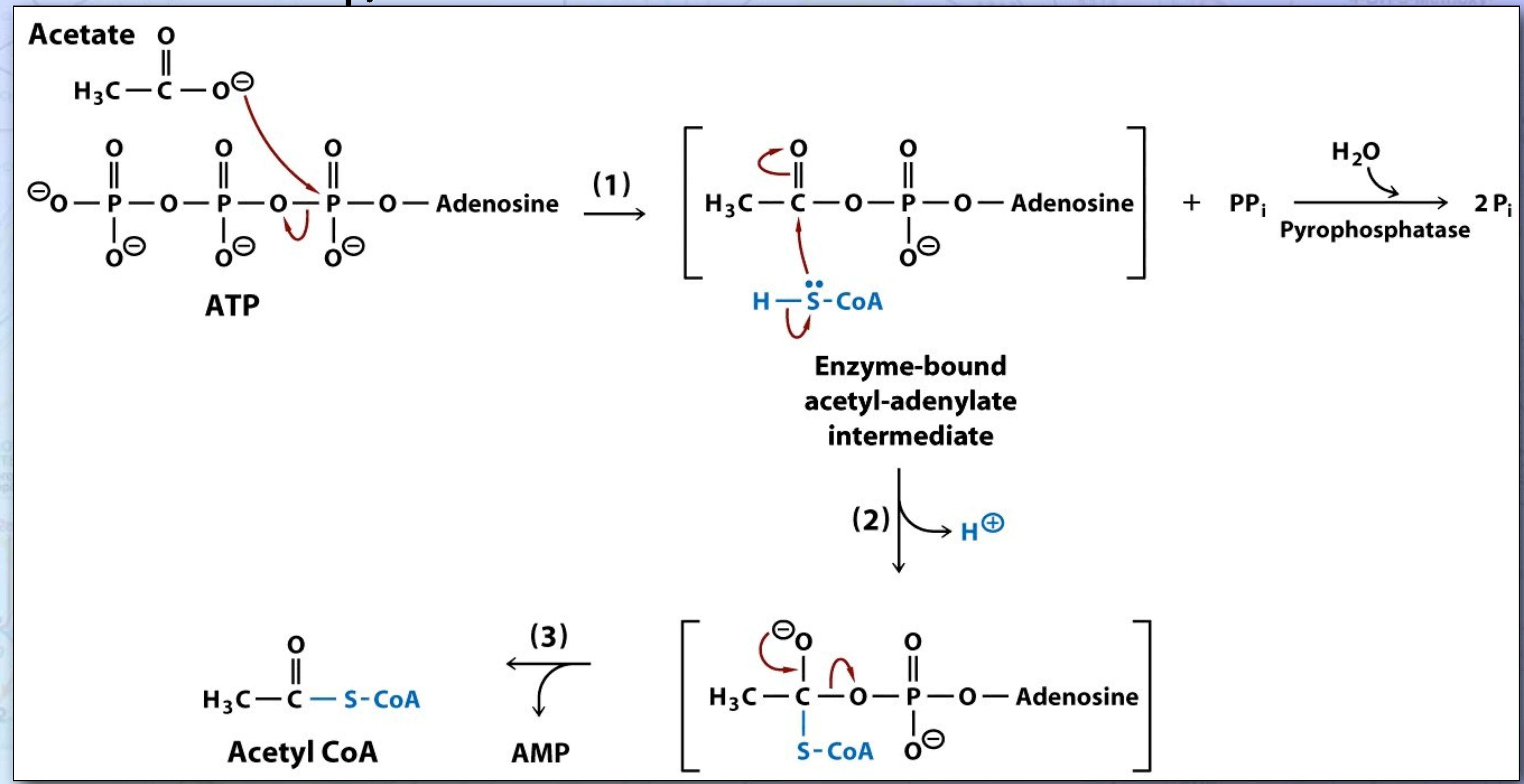

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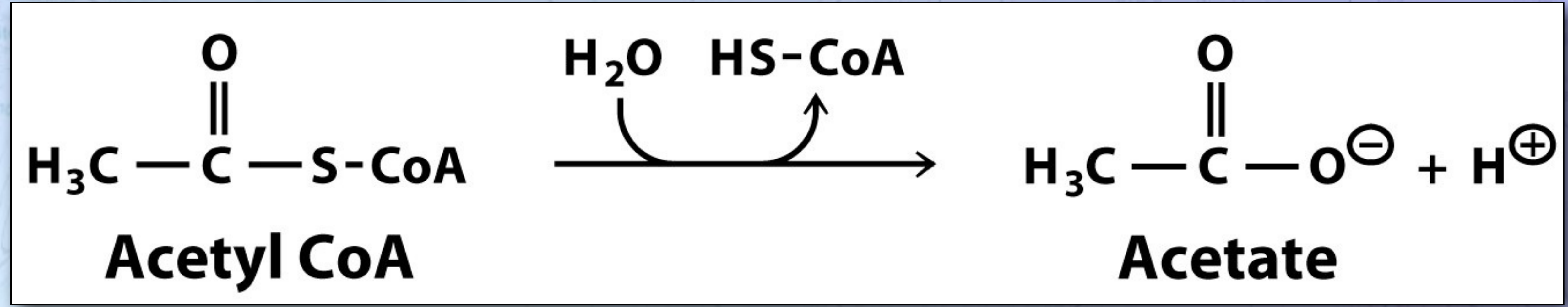

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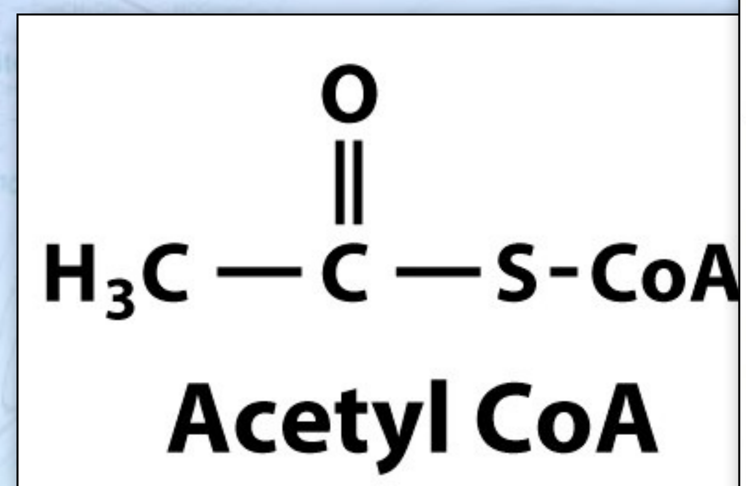

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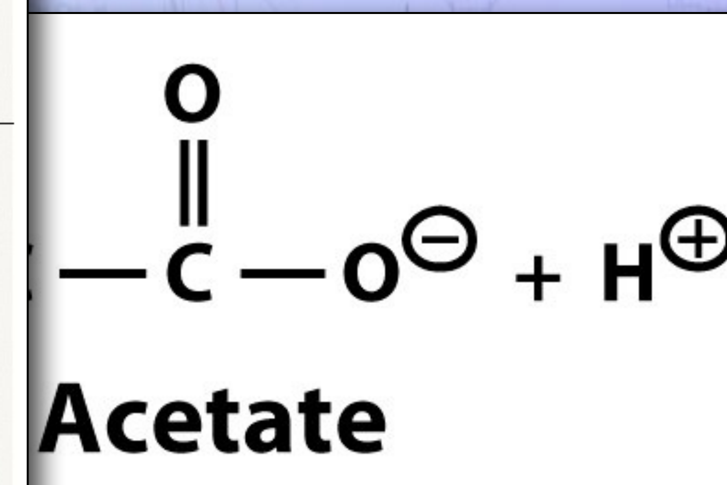

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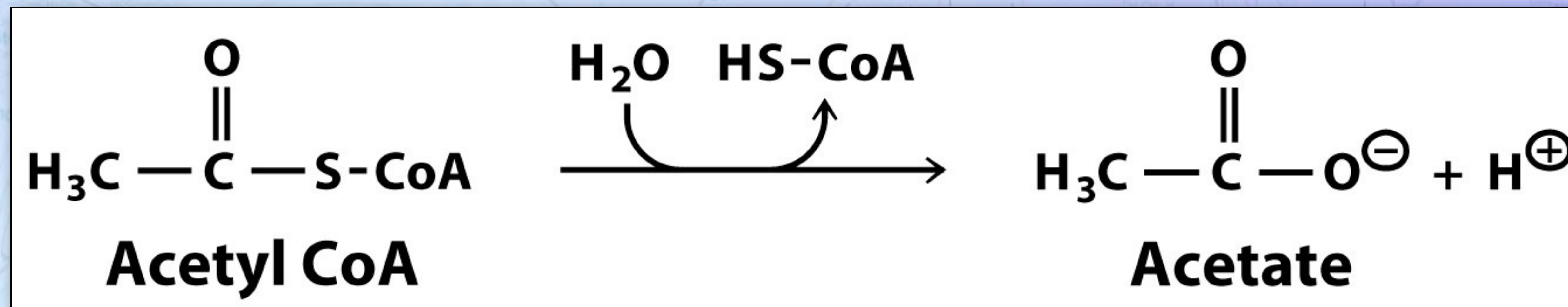

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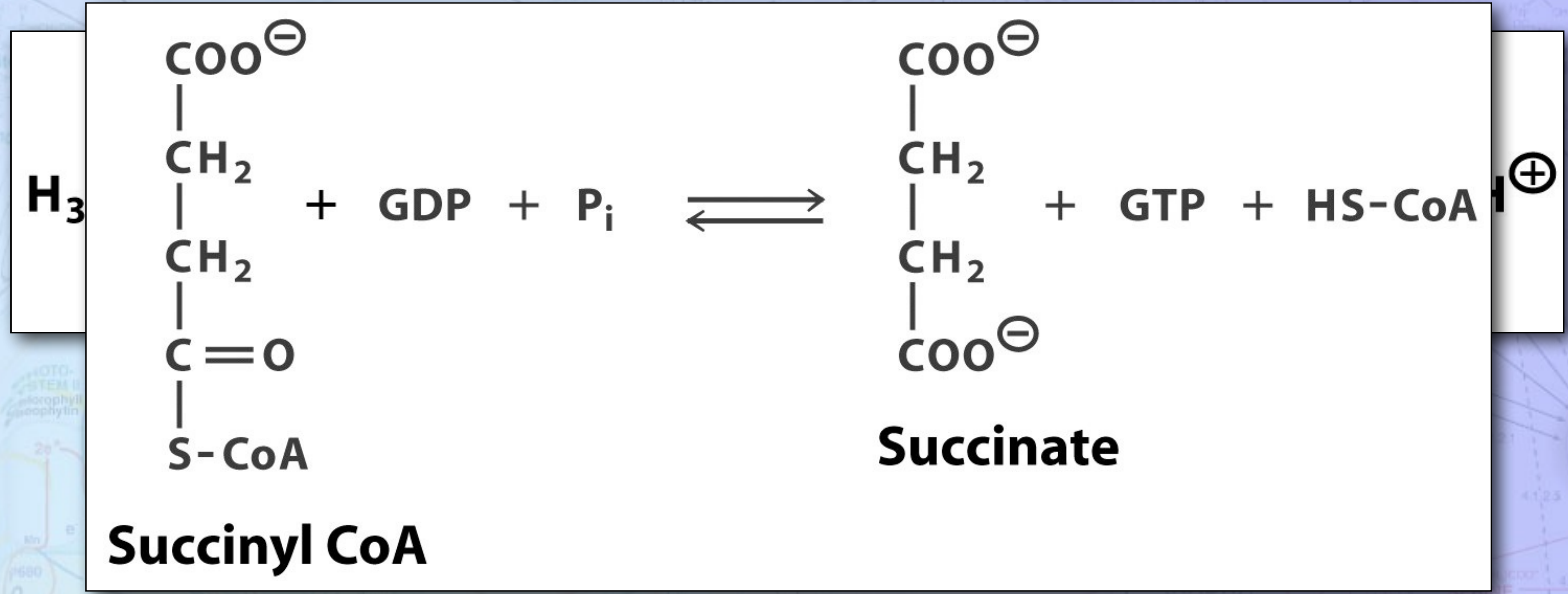

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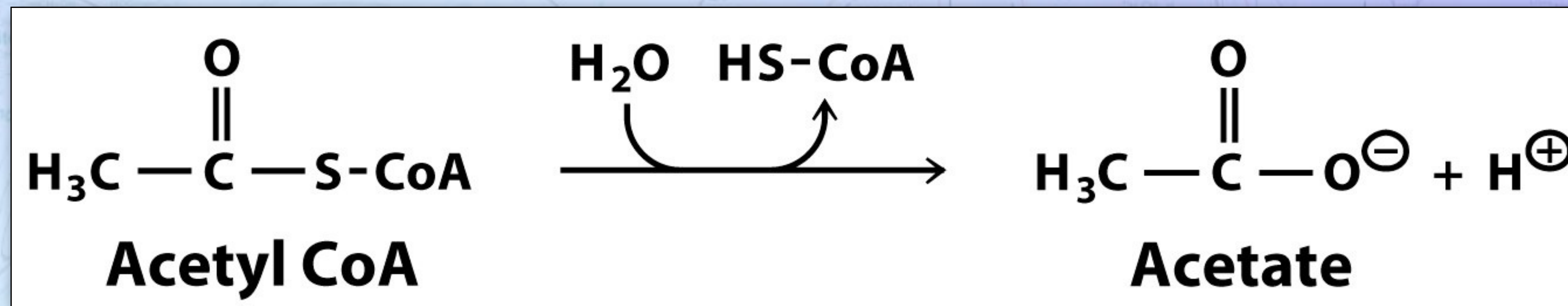


Chem 352 - Lecture 7
Introduction to Metabolism
2. April, 2014

Question for the Day: How is metabolism like a river?

Reduced Coenzymes

- Reduced coenzymes (NAD, NADP, FAD, FMN, ubiquinone) provide another way to store chemical energy.
  - They can be used to store the free energy that is released in oxidation reactions.
  - The electrons released in these reactions are transferred to the coenzyme, usually in the form of a hydride ($H:^-$) ion.

Reduced Coenzymes

- **Reduction potentials** can be used to measure the ability of a molecule to serve as a reducing agent in an oxidation/reduction reaction

$$A_{oxidized} + B_{reduced} \rightarrow A_{reduced} + B_{oxidized}$$

(B is the reducing agent in this reaction)

Reduced Coenzymes

Reduction potentials can be measured with an electrochemical cell.

- The oxidation and reduction are separated by a wire.

The reduction of Cu^{2+} by Zn

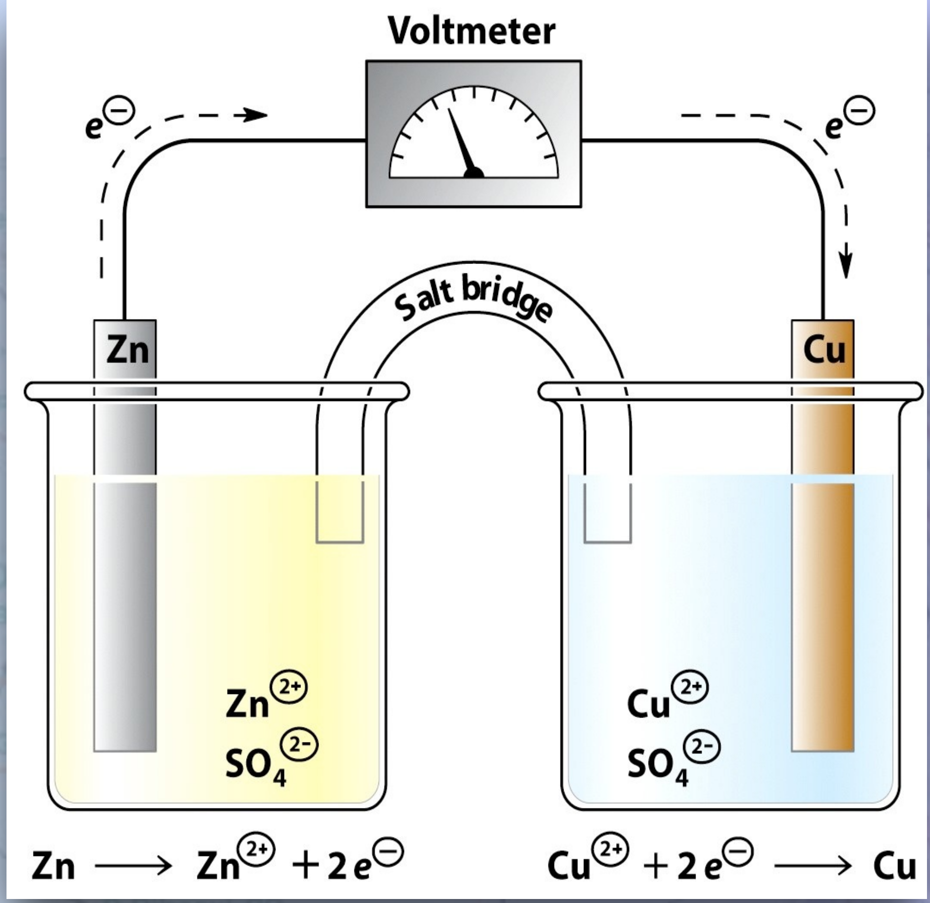
$$Zn + Cu^{2+} \leftrightarrow Zn^{2+} + Cu$$

$\Delta G' = -n\mathscr{F}\Delta E'$ (Nernst Equation)

$\Delta E' =$ potential measured by the voltmeter

$n =$ number of electrons transferred

F = Faraday's constant (96,586 $JV^{-1}mol^{-1}$)



Reduced Coenzymes

The change in the reduction potential for an oxidation/reduction reaction ($\Delta E^{o\prime}$) can be used to determine the change in Free energy for the reaction.

$$\Delta E^{o\prime} = E^{o\prime}_{\text{electron acceptor}} - E^{o\prime}_{\text{electron donor}}$$

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Standard reduction potentials, Eo′, are usually measured with respect to the reduction potential for of $2\ H^+(aq) \rightarrow H_2(g)$

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Reduction half-reaction	$E^{\circ\prime}$ (V)
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α-Ketoglutarate + CO_2 + 2 $H^{\oplus}$ + $2e^{\ominus}$ → Isocitrate	−0.38
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Acetaldehyde + 2 $H^{\oplus}$ + $2e^{\ominus}$ → Ethanol	−0.20
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Cytochrome b_5 (microsomal), Fe^{3+} + $e^{\ominus}$ → Fe^{2+}	0.02
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Cytochrome *a*, Fe^{3+} + $e^{\ominus}$ → Fe^{2+}	0.29
Cytochrome *f*, Fe^{3+} + $e^{\ominus}$ → Fe^{2+}	0.36
Plastocyanin, Cu^{2+} + $e^{\ominus}$ → Cu^{+}	0.37
$NO_3^{\ominus}$ + 2 $H^{\oplus}$ + $2e^{\ominus}$ → $NO_2^{\ominus}$ + H_2O	0.42
Photosystem I (P700)	0.43
Fe^{3+} + $e^{\ominus}$ → Fe^{2+}	0.77
$\frac{1}{2}O_2$ + 2 $H^{\oplus}$ + $2e^{\ominus}$ → H_2O	0.82
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$1/2\ O_2 \quad + \quad N$ ...

TABLE 10.3 Standard Gibbs free energies of hydrolysis for common metabolites

Metabolite	$\Delta G^{\circ\prime}_{\text{hydrolysis}}$ (kJ mol^{-1})
Phosphoenolpyruvate	−62
1,3-*Bis*phosphoglycerate	−49
ATP to AMP + PP_i	−45
Phosphocreatine	−43
Phosphoarginine	−32
Acetyl CoA	−32
ATP to ADP + P_i	−32
Pyrophosphate	−29
Glucose 1-phosphate	−21
Glucose 6-phosphate	−14
Glycerol 3-phosphate	−9

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- Lecture 8 – Carbohydrate Metabolism
    - Part I: Glycolysis (Moran et al., Chapter 11)