Faculty of Pharmacy Biochemistry-2

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Introduction to Metabolism

Metabolism

Definition of metabolism:

All chemical reactions occur inside the body

Metabolism divided into

- A- catabolism: digestion of the food to give energy = ATP.
- B- Anabolism : building of the tissues.

Metabolic sources of energy:

- energy which extracted from food via oxidation.
- Carbohydrates metabolism, Proteins metabolism, and Lipid metabolism.
- The end result of metabolism is energy + CO_2 + H_2O energy in the form of ATP



Metabolism includes:

Digestion
Absorption
Catabolism
Anabolism
Excretion



Stages of Metabolism

Stage 1: digestion absorption

It is the breakdown & degradation of polysaccharides, proteins & lipids into their simplest units (glucose – amino acids and fatty acids which are absorbed)



1st Stage of Metabolism

Stage one



Handled by the digestive system.

Stage one types of hydrolysis



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Stage two

Conversion of monomers into a form that can be completely oxidized.

Sugars - start as glucose or fructose - converted to acetyl CoA.

Amino acids - all are deaminated,

- might enter at any stage
 - of Kreb's cycle.
- Fatty acids converted to acetyl CoA &glycerol.



1st and 2nd Stages of Metabolism

Stage 3: Krebs cycle

- The citric acid (Krebs, tricarboxylic = TCA=) cycle oxidized acetyl CO-A \longrightarrow CO₂ + H₂O + ATP
 - The energy which released in this process conversed by reducing the
 - ► Nicotinamide adenine dinuceutide (NAD → NADH+H)
 - Flavin adenine dinuceutide (FAD \longrightarrow FADH₂)

Stage three

Complete oxidation of nutrients and the production of ATP.

- Everything has been converted to acetyl CoA.
- The acetyl group is taken to the citric acid cycle.
- There it is converted to CO₂ + H₂O+ energy (ATP).



Stages of Metabolism

Overview of catabolic processes



Different Types of Metabolic Pathways



Carbohydrate Digestion

1. Digestion

Digestion of Carbohydrates

It is the breakdown & degradation of polysaccharides & oligosaccharides into their simplest units (Monosaccharides)



Digestion of Carbohydrates

Monosaccharides

Do not need hydrolysis before absorption

Di- and poly-saccharides

Relatively large molecules Must be hydrolyzed prior to absorption Hydrolyzed to monosaccharides

Only monosaccharides can be absorbed

Carbohydrate Digestion In the mouth

- ◆ Salivary amylase: produced by salivary glands
- ♦ Activated by chloride ion
- Act on starch and glycogen converting them to

maltose, isomaltose and starch to dextrin

Plays only a small role in breakdown because of the short time food is in the mouth

Carbohydrate Digestion In the stomach

The action of amylase on carbohydrates is blocked in the stomach by high acidity of the stomach.

Carbohydrate Digestion

• Small intestine

enzyme: Pancreatic amylase Source : pancreas hydrolyzing starch and glycogen to maltose and isomaltose

Amylase Disaccharides

Digestion in Small Intestine

 Digestion mediated by enzymes synthesized by cells lining the small intestine (brush border)



* Exception is β -1,4 bonds in cellulose







Digestion of cellulose

- It is contain : β -1,4 bonds between glucose molecules.
- In human : No β-1,4 glucosidase which digest such bonds, so the cellulose passes as such in stool,
- it is help in water retention during the passage of food along the intestine and it produce larger and softer feces which

prevent constipation.

Overview of Carbohydrate Digestion

Form of Dietary CHO Location **Enzymes** Mouth Salivary Amylase Starch Maltose Sucrose Lactose Stomach (amylase from saliva) Dextrin→Maltose Small Intestine Pancreatic Amylase Maltose Fructose Galactose Brush Border Enzymes Glucose +++Glucose Glucose Glucose

Large Intestine None

Bacterial Microflora Ferment Cellulose

Defects of carbohydrate digestion

I- lactase deficiency (lactose intolerance):

Def. deficiency of lactase enzyme which digests lactose into

glucose and galactose, it may be

A- congenital : occurs after birth (rare)

B- acquired : occurs later on life (common)

Digestion of Lactose



Lactose Intolerance

- **1. Abdominal pain**
- 2. Nausea
- 3. Bloating
- 4. Watery diarrhea

Carbohydrate Absorption

- The end product of carbohydrate digestion are monosaccharides (glucose, galactose and fructose)
- They are absorbed from the small intestine to portal vein to liver where fructose and galactose are transformed to glucose
- Monosaccharides absorbed primarily in duodenum and jejunum
- Little absorption in stomach and large intestine

Small Intestine



intestine



Absorption of Pentoses & Hexoses

Types of Transport Carriers



Mechanisms of absorption

1- Simple diffusion:

It is passive process in which the monosaccharides transferred from high concentrated area to low concentrated area (from intestine to blood) depend on concentration gradient it need no energy and no carrier ex. Fructose and pentose sugar.

Mechanisms of absorption

2- Facilitated (diffusion) passive transport

Diffusion of monosaccharide from high concentration to low concentration. It is need protein carrier which is called: glucose transporter (Glu T)

glucose transporter have 5 types

- 1- in RBCs, 2- in liver,
- 3- in brain, 4- in muscle and adipose tissues and
- 5 in intestine
- Ex.: Specific for glucose

Mechanisms of absorption

3- Active transport

- Its active process
- It need energy and protein carrier
- It is specific for glucose, galactose and mannose
- Its carrier called Sodium glucose transporter (SGLT-1)
- This carrier have 2 sides one for Na and the other for glucose.
- sodium (Na +) : transported from high to law concentration and the glucose transported in against concentrated gradient
- Active transport is much more faster than Passive transport
- Sites: intestinal epithelium and renal tubules



