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# Metabolism of glycogen

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## **CHO metabolism**

1. *Glycolysis*
  - a. *First phase*
  - b. *Second phase*
  
2. *Pentosephosphate pathway*
  
3. *Metabolism of non-glucose sugars*
  - a. *metabolism of fructose.*
  - b. *metabolism of galactose*
  - c. *metabolism of glucuronic acid*
3. **Glycogen metabolism**
  - a. **Glycogen synthesis**
  - b. **Glycogen breakdown**

# GLYCOGEN METABOLISM

- Glycogen is the major storage form of carbohydrates in cells
- It is stored in the cytosol as granules (all enzymes are cytoplasmic)
- It is present in every cell (but more abundant in liver, muscle):
  - **Muscle glycogen (1-2g/100g; appx 400-500g in total):** provide rapidly available supply of glucose as fuel for glycolysis during contraction (muscle use only)
  - **Liver glycogen (6-10g/100g; appx 100-120g in total):** maintaining blood glucose levels during fasting (for whole body)

## Its metabolism involves two processes:

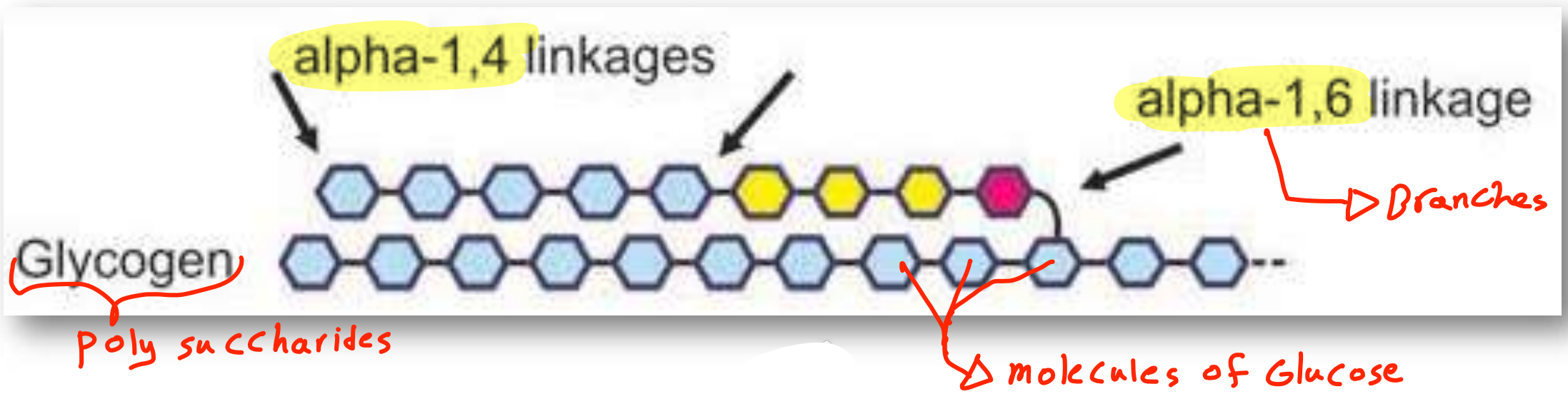
- I- Glycogenolysis (Glycogen breakdown)
- II- Glycogenesis (Glycogen formation)

في مخازن في الجسم: (1) (glycogen) / (2) fat / (3) Amino acid

\* لها صبحك (concentration) هو في (muscle) أقل لكن ما تحسب كمية ال (glycogen) التي موجودة بالجسم التي بال (muscle) (رح تلاحظها أكثر من التي بال (liver) (400 - 500)

\* في فرق بين ال (glycogen) التي بال (muscle) وال (liver) :- التي بال (muscle) أنانية صمها في حالها (الطاقة بس بتغير منها ال (muscle) ألبا ال (liver) كبرير جهاً لذلك هو يعطي كل الجسم فيحافظ على مستوى السكر بالدم فيختم كل الجسم

\* (كل الخلايا التي إليها علاقة بالجللا يكونه تتم في ال (cytoplasm)



تكسير الجلايكوجين يبدأ بعد (4) ساعات من الوجبة ويستمر تقريبا لحد (18) ساعة بعد صا مخلصه مخزونه الجلايكوجين فلازم نفوت. بخاصية ثمانية عشانه نفاظز على مستوى السكر بالدم

# Glycogen breakdown (glycogenolysis)

- Starts 4 h after meal (fasting), lasts 12-18h
- Occurs in cytoplasm of cells (except RBCs; does not store glycogen):
  - **In liver:** glycogen is hydrolysed to glucose to maintain blood glucose level
  - **In muscle:** glycogen is hydrolysed to glucose 6-P → glycolytic pathway to generate ATP
- Glycogenolysis is catalysed:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> by **glycogen phosphorylase** → glucose 1-P
  - Then by **debranching enzyme** → liberate free glucose

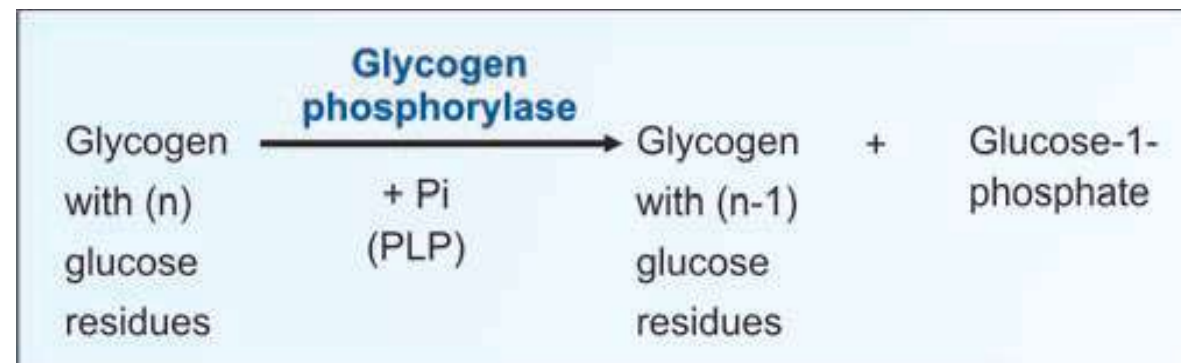
# Steps of glycogenolysis (enzymes)

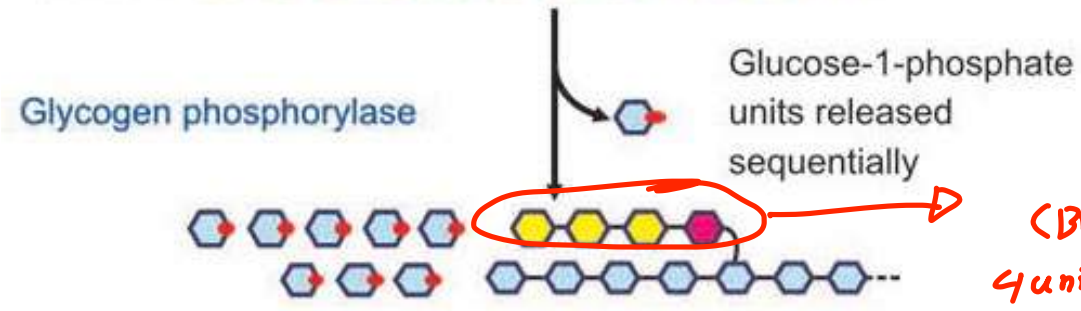
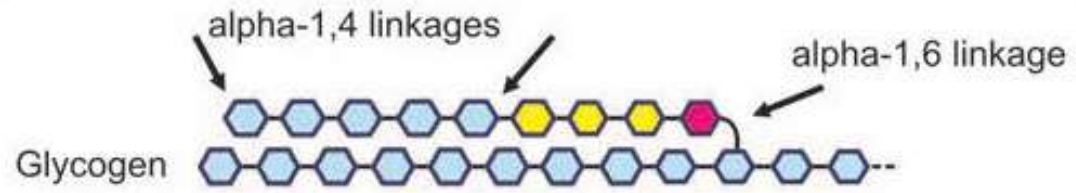
1. Glycogen phosphorylase
2. Debranching enzyme (bi-functional)
  - A. Glucan transferase
  - B.  $\alpha$  1,6 glucosidase
3. Phosphoglucomutase
4. Glucose-6 phosphatase



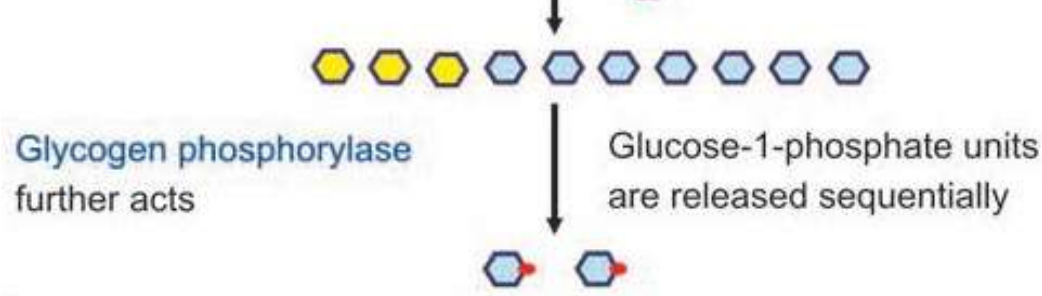
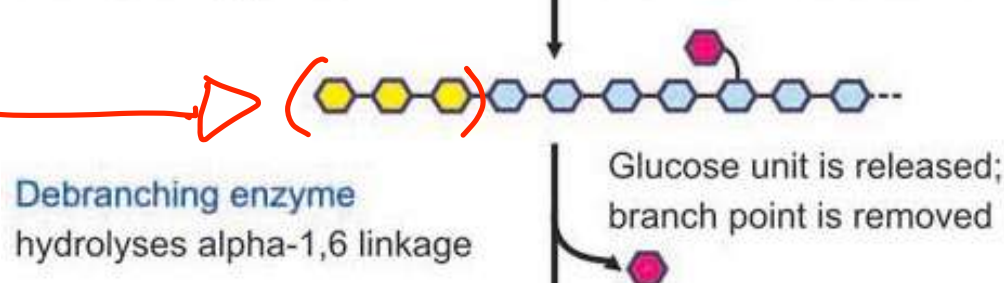
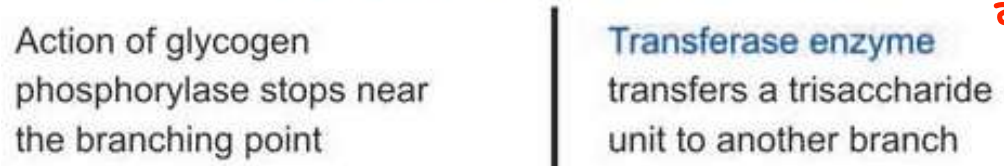
# 1. Glycogen phosphorylase

- Catalyses release of glucose 1-P from terminal residue of glycogen by adding inorganic phosphate (phosphorolysis)
  - Glycogen phosphorylase contains pyridoxal phosphate as an integral coenzyme
- The action of glycogen phosphorylase stops when 4 glucose residues are left from the branching point





ضياء (Branch)  
تكونه من 4 units  
لذا نتوقف من الخطوة  
الأولى



## 2. Debranching enzymes

مشيل ال units اللي صممه مكتون في بعد ال (branch)

- **Glucan transferase**

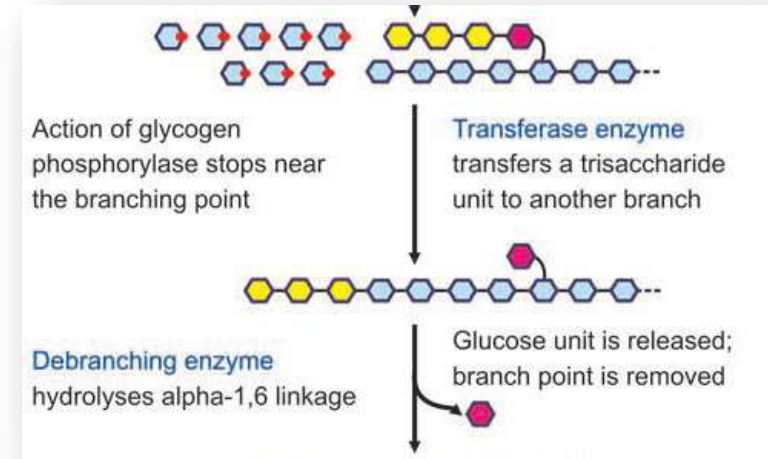
- It transfers the outer 3 glucose units from the branching point & attaches them to the nearest straight chain
  - This is important to unmask the  $\alpha$  1,6 glucosidic bond at the branching point

- **$\alpha$  1,6 glucosidase**

- This enzyme removes the last glucose residue at the branch point
  - » This glucose residue is released as **free glucose**

- → both these enzymes will together convert the branched chain into a linear one

- » With removal of branches, phosphorylase can proceed with its action



✗ الأشياء التي تنتج عن (Glucan transferase) ! -

(1) يصح للـ (phosphorelase) أنه يستخدم لأنه نقلت الـ (3) لـ (Chain) قريبة ومستقيمة .

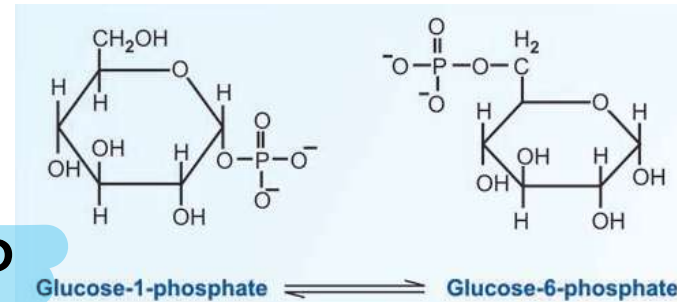
(2) يعمل (unmasking) لـ حبة البلكوز التي باللون **الأحمر** فبمع الإنزيم الثاني يتغل ويطلع الـ (free glucose) .

mutase = Conversion

(Position) ↓ (Position) → (phosphate) بند

### 3. Phosphoglucomutase

- This enzyme converts glucose 1-P to glucose 6-P



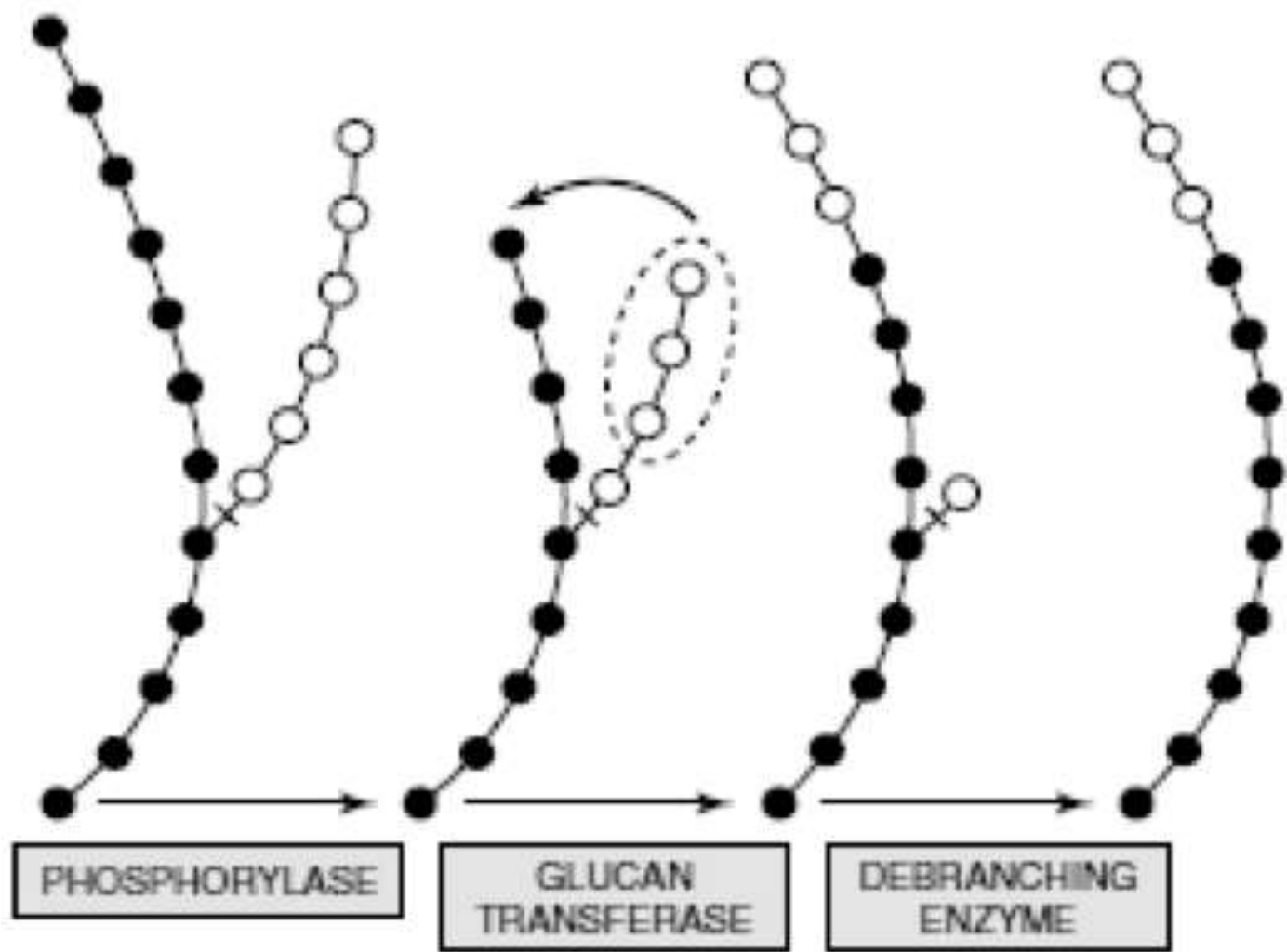
### 4. Glucose 6-phosphatase

- Converts glucose 6-P to free glucose
  - It is present mostly in the liver
  - The product of glycogenolysis is free glucose which is released in the blood
- Muscle lacks this enzyme:
  - » Glucose will not be released into blood
  - » Glucose 6-P undergoes glycolysis to produce lactate and ATP for ms contraction

#### Energy yield (anaerobic):

- Glucosyl unit derived from glycogen  $\rightarrow$  3 ATP
- Glycolysis starts from glucose  $\rightarrow$  2 ATP

\* أنت لوجايبه (Glucose molecule) من (Glycogen) راج تعطيه (3ATP) ولكن لو بلش منه (Glucose) مش عندك راج  
(Glucose) راج ينتج عندنا (2ATP). السبب أنه هونه بتبلش منه (Glucose-6-P)



(Glycogen) بناء  
**GLYCOGENESIS**

تكوين (Glycogen) منه بـ إلقاء (glucose) المكونة الأساس تاعه أو (hexoses)

- It is the formation of glycogen from glucose or other hexoses
- It occurs in the cytosol of cells (except RBCs) especially in *liver* & *muscles*
- **Importance:** Storage of excess glucose, or other hexoses taken in food

# Steps of glycogenesis

uracil diphosphate glucose

1. Activation of glucose + formation of **UDP glucose\***

جلوكوز متاكتف بمحطنا انه هو يكونه ال (Building blocks) لل (Glycogen)

2. Addition of glucosyl residues

نضيف (glucose molecules) للمركب تاغنا

3. Formation of branches

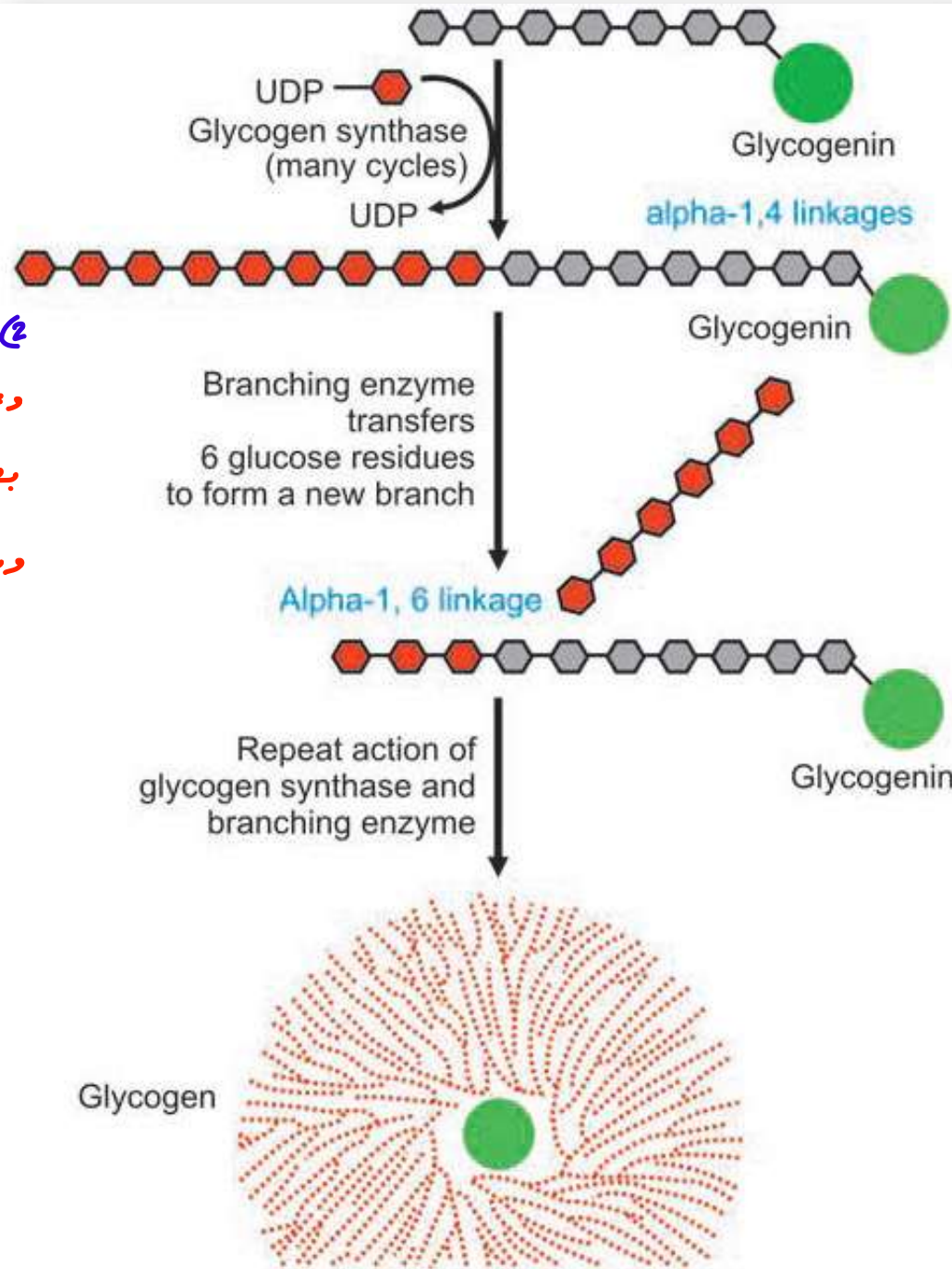
\*UDP glucose: uracil diphosphate glucose → nucleotide sugar made from pyrophosphate group, pentose sugar ribose, glucose, and nucleobase uracil

- involved in formation of glycoproteins
- glycogen precursor
- nucleotide sugar metabolism



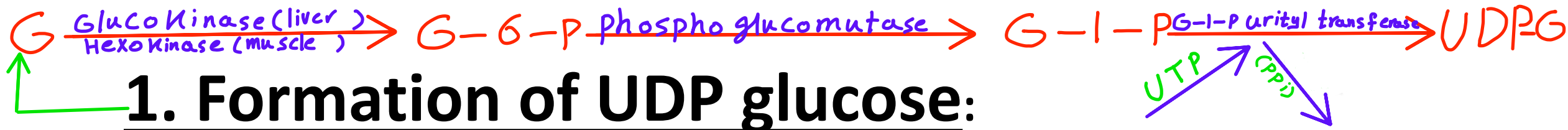
صونه في (3) شغلته:

1) محتاج اشي اسمه (Glycogen primer)  
أو (Glycogenin) هذا بروتين بنبي منه خلاله  
الجلايكوجين



2) بعد هيك بنما تيجينه (Branches)  
ففي عندنا (Branching enzyme) واللي بسهولة  
بنقله لك (glucose unit) عشانه يملك (Branch)  
جد ية

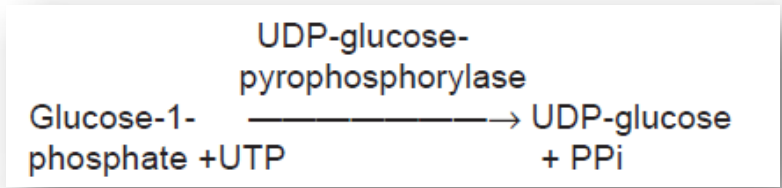
2) بغوت على هذا الجلايكوجين (UDP glucose)  
وعنه طريقه اذير اسمه (Glycogen synthase)  
بطلع ال (UDP) لبرا وبنقله ال (Glucose) بغوت  
وبكبرك ال (Glycogen)



# 1. Formation of UDP glucose:

- Glucose is phosphorylated to G-6-P by **glucokinase** (liver) or **hexokinase** (muscle)
- G-6-P is then converted to G-1-P by **phosphoglucomutase**
- **G-1-P uridyl transferase** catalyzes formation of UDP-G from G-1-P and **UTP** with liberation of pyrophosphate (irreversible reaction)
  - UDP glucose is called **activated glucose** and serves as a **glucose donor** for glycogen synthesis

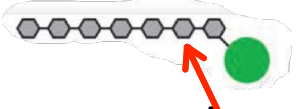
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\* هونو بدنا نضيف ارا (U-DP-G) على (Glycogenin) = (Glycogen primer)

## 2. Addition of glucosyl residues



(بروتين ما سلك ب (oligosaccharide chain) هي حقيقة تمتد شكل ال (Glycogen) ولكن ابط)

• **Glycogen primer:** oligosaccharide chain linked by  $\alpha 1,4$  glucosidic links attached to *protein-CHO nucleus* called **glycogenin**

Glycogenin

- Glycogen primer may be an old incompletely broken glycogen molecule or a newly formed glycogen primer
- **Glycogenin** can undergo autoglycosylation (i.e. bind glucose to its tyrosine residue via OH group)
- **Glycogenin** binds more glucose units in form of UDPG one by one through  $\alpha 1,4$  glucosidic links  $\rightarrow$  up to 8 units (primer)

تكررت منه زمانه

تكونت منه جديد

•  $\rightarrow$  Glycogen synthase (key enzyme) transfers more activated glucose units from UDPG to the end of glycogen primer (and UDP is removed)

- This repeats until about 12 glucose residues are added

- الحد ما في  
ولا (Branch)

\* يعني بجدب (UDP-G) بضيف منها حبات (glucose) وبنزيد (UDP)

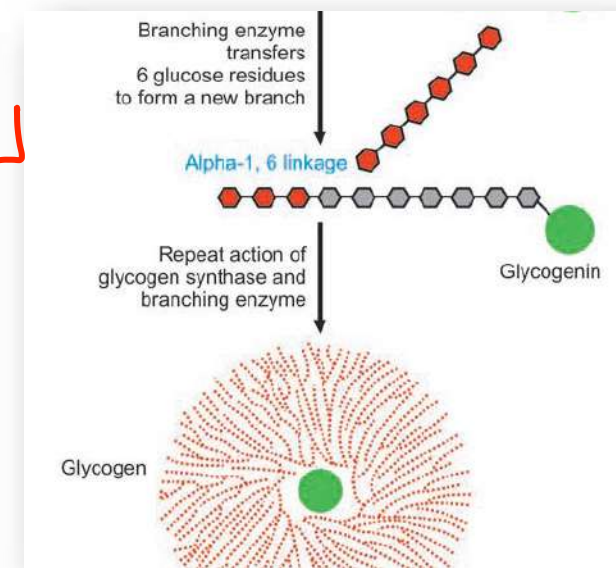
# 3. Formation of branches

\* أهمية الـ (Branches) :  
- بتحافظ على الـ (Stability)

- بتخليك عندك امكانية تخزين كمية (Glycogen) بمساحة أصغر

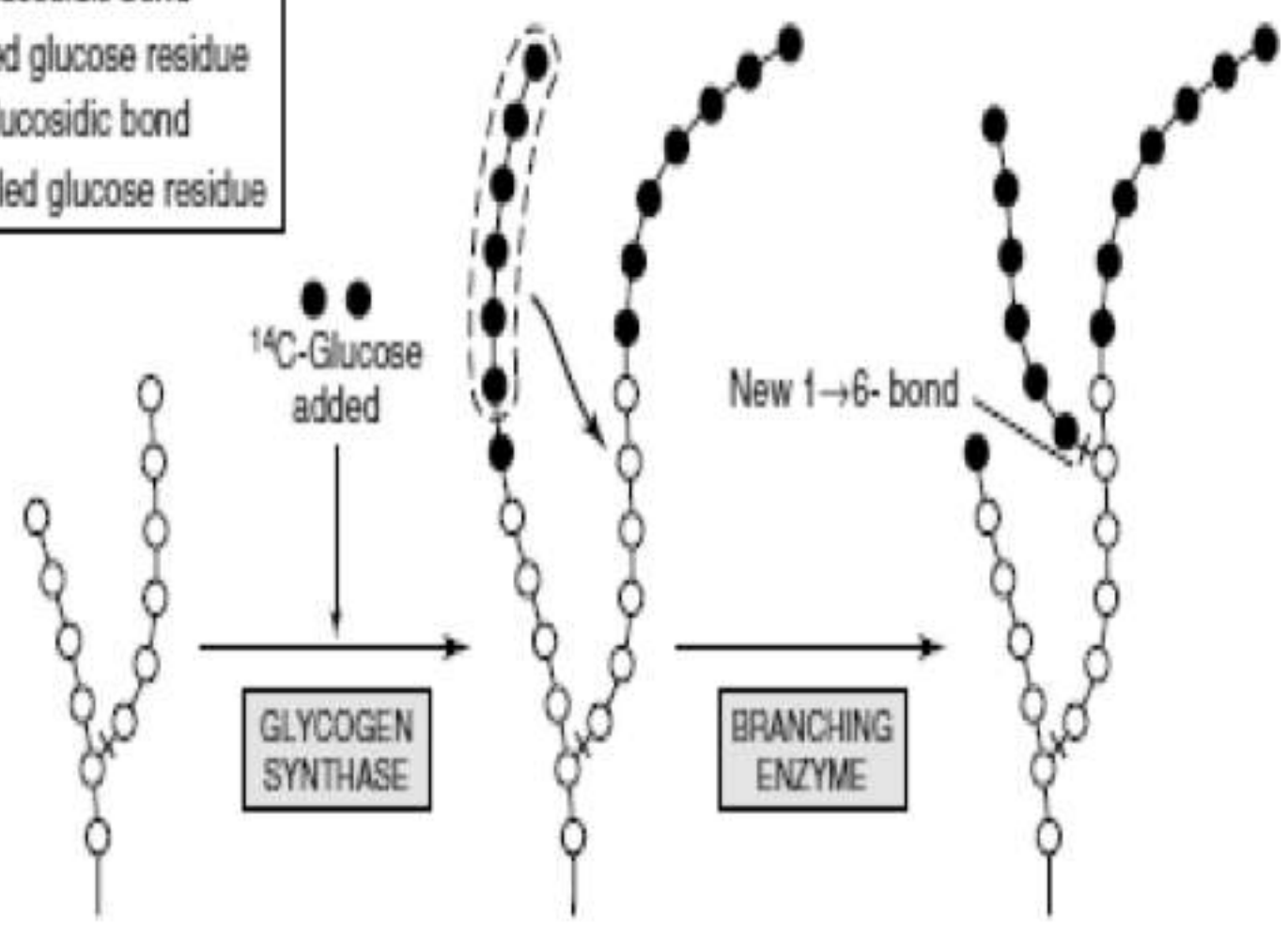
- When chain length is 11-12 residues:
  - A **branching enzyme** (AKA amylo 1,4 → 1,6 <sup>بنقل</sup>transglucosidase) transfers a block of 6-8 glucose units from the end of glycogen to C6 of glucose:
    - Creating a new  $\alpha$ -1, 6-glycosidic bond
    - A new branch appears on which glycogen synthase can act again

لها أيضا أهمية (Branch) بقدر طول السلسلة فيسمح الـ (glycogen synthase) أن يعمل مجدداً



The combined action of glycogen synthase and branching enzyme → a highly branched glycogen structure

- 1→4- Glucosidic bond
- Unlabeled glucose residue
- |○ 1→6- Glucosidic bond
- <sup>14</sup>C-labeled glucose residue



# Biological impotence of branching

- Makes glycogen more stable
- Increases number of ends → increases number of sites accessible to glycogen synthase (**amplifying cascade**)
- Increase sites of breaking attacks by phosphorylase → facilitating glycogen breakdown

# Regulation of glycogen metabolism

- Principle enzymes controlling this are:

- Glycogen synthase

- Phosphorylase

تصكم متعاكس  
Reciprocally regulated  
لي لو واحد منهم (inhibited) الثاني يكونه (activated) و بالعكس

- They are controlled by:

- Allosteric control

- Covalent modification

# Regulation of glycogen metabolism

- Allosteric control (عند التغييرات: حسب حاجتك)
  - Glycogen synthase
    - Stimulated by glucose 6-P & ATP
    - Inhibited by glycogen (product)
  - Glycogen phosphorylase
    - Stimulated by AMP
    - Inhibited by glucose & ATP

ما بيننا أصلاً  
نفس  
كأنه ما بيننا القاهه  
اليد نكسوفها



# Regulation of glycogen metabolism

- Covalent modification (*more, less active*) (عنا نه تفهمه لازم تفهم انه موجودين به تنظيم)
  - \* – Glycogen synthase: active in **dephosphorylated** form
  - \* – Glycogen phosphorylase: active in **phosphorylated** form
- Covalent modification of these enzymes is through hormones that act through the 2<sup>nd</sup> messenger cAMP
- Glycogen synthase exists in 2 forms (interconverted by specific enzyme):
  - Less active phosphorylated form (glycogen synthase b)
  - More active **dephosphorylated** form (glycogen synthase a)
- Glycogen phosphorylase exists in 2 forms:
  - Less active **dephosphorylated** form (phosphorylase b)
  - More active phosphorylated form (phosphorylase a)

بعد ما تأكل ويكون كمية (Glucose) كبيرة  
During fed state

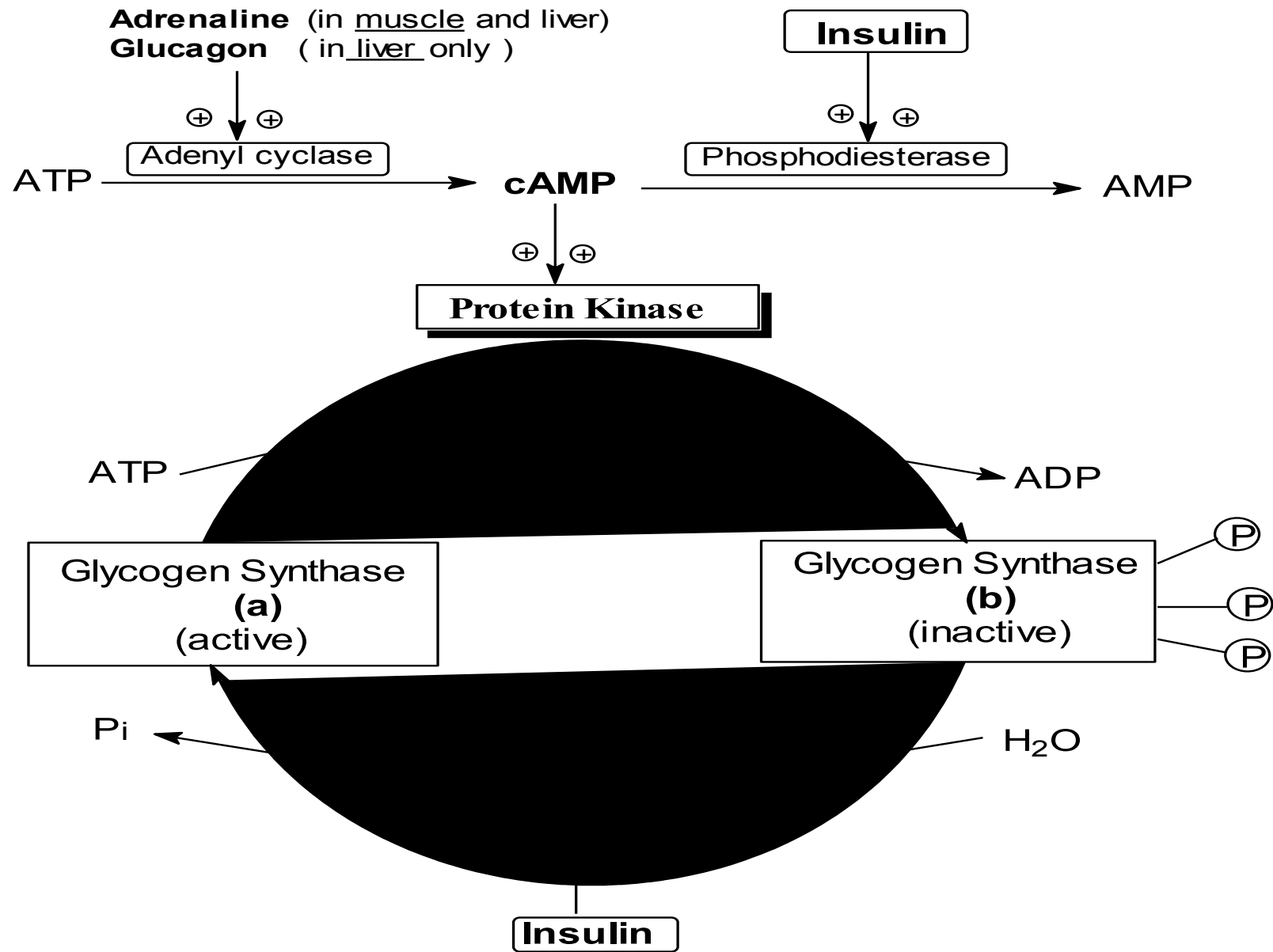
\* الأنسولين ما بحب يشوف كميات كبيرة  
بالدم فطلع منه البنكرياس وبعده (dephosphorylation)

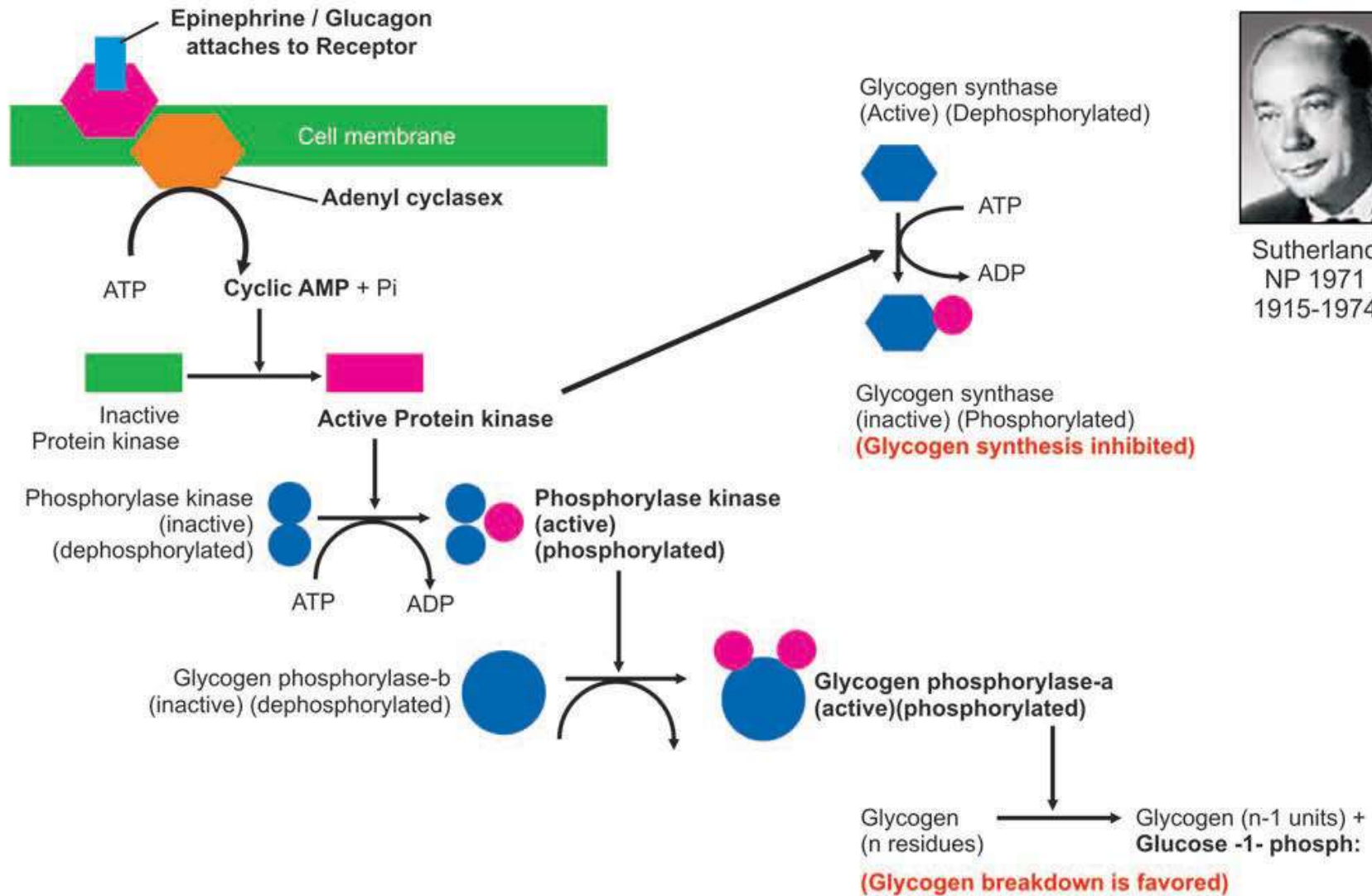
- Insulin dephosphorylates both glycogen synthase and glycogen phosphorylase via 2 mechanisms:
  - Activation of phosphodiesterase enzyme → inactivates cAMP to AMP → inhibits protein kinase  
(Phosphorelation) كده صااد اللي بعده
  - Activation of phosphatase enzyme which removes P:
    - » Dephosphorylation of glycogen synthase → its activation → GLYCOGENESIS
    - » Dephosphorylation of glycogen phosphorylase → its inactivation → inhibition of glycogenolysis

(الشخص وهو صائم محتاج يحافظ على مستوى السكر بالدم عنده طريقة تكبير الـ (Glycogen))

## During **fasting** state

- **Glucagon (in liver) & epinephrine (in liver & muscle):**
  - Activate a membrane receptor (G protein) → activates adenyl cyclase (a membrane linked enzyme) → converts ATP to cAMP
  - cAMP activates cAMP dependent protein kinase <sup>تكبير</sup> → phosphorylates (inactivates) glycogen synthase → inhibits glycogenesis
    - Activation of protein kinase → activate phosphorylase kinase enzyme → stimulation of glycogen phosphorylase → glycogenolysis





Sutherland  
NP 1971  
1915-1974

## Allosteric regulation in muscle exercise:

- Muscle phosphorylase is allosterically activated by AMP → glycogenolysis  
بزیه بال ( muscle exercise )
- AMP is increased during muscular exercise and allosterically inhibited by:
  - ATP & G-6-P because their elevated levels indicate that the cell is not in need of more energy and there is no need to breakdown glycogen.

### During muscle exercise:

↑ release of Ca from sarcoplasmic reticulum → activates glycogen phosphorylase → glycogenolysis

## Induction and repression of the key enzyme:

- Carbohydrate feeding → induce insulin → ↓ synthesis of key enzyme (**repression**) so glycogenolysis is inhibited.
- Fasting → ↓ insulin and ↑ anti-insulin which increase synthesis of key enzyme (**induction**) so glycogenolysis is stimulated.

(لا يوجد امتحانه ميد أو فاينال مخلوا منه هذا الجدول)

# Glycogen storage diseases

Inborn errors of glycogen metabolism

Classified into different types according to the deficient enzyme

Type	Disease Name	Defective enzyme	Glycogen levels	Glycogen structure	Principal tissue affected
I	Von Gierke's disease	Glucose-6-phosphatase (G6pase)	High	Normal	Liver, kidney
II	Pompe's disease	$\alpha$ -1,4 Glucosidase	Very high	Normal	All organs
III	Cori's Forbes' disease	Debranching enzyme	High	Short outer branches	Liver, Heart, Muscle
IV	Andersen's disease	Branching enzyme	Normal	Long outer branches	Liver, Spleen, Muscle
V	McArdle's disease	Muscle Phosphorylase	High	Normal	Muscle
VI	Hers' disease	Liver Phosphorylase	High	Normal	Liver
VII	Tarui's disease	Phosphofructokinase	High	Normal	Muscle
VIII	Hepatic phosphorylase kinase deficiency	Phosphorylase kinase	High	Normal	Liver

Most common

تتأثر العضلات

## Characteristic feature

I: Fasting hypoglycaemia (not responding to adrenaline), hepatomegaly

II: early death before 2 years

III: mild fasting hypoglycaemia

IV: hepatosplenomegaly, mild hypoglycaemia, results in synthesis of straight chain glycogen only

V: exercise intolerance, painful muscle cramps during exercise

تشنجات