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Carbohydrates Metabolism

Lecture (4)

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Metabolism: all of the chemical reactions that are involved in catabolism and anabolism.

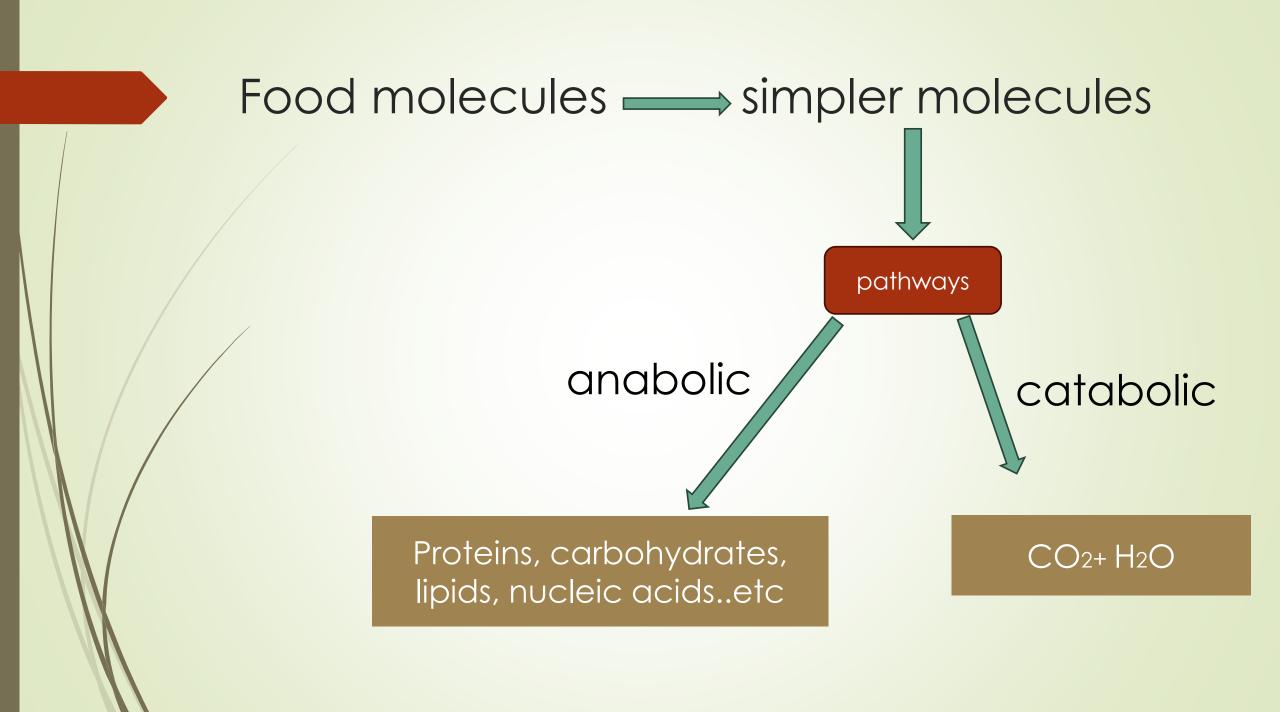
Catabolic reactions:

- * The reactions governing the breakdown of food to obtain energy.
- * In catabolic reactions, complex substances are broken down to simpler end products with release of free energy.
- * exergonic
- * spontaneous

Anabolic reactions:

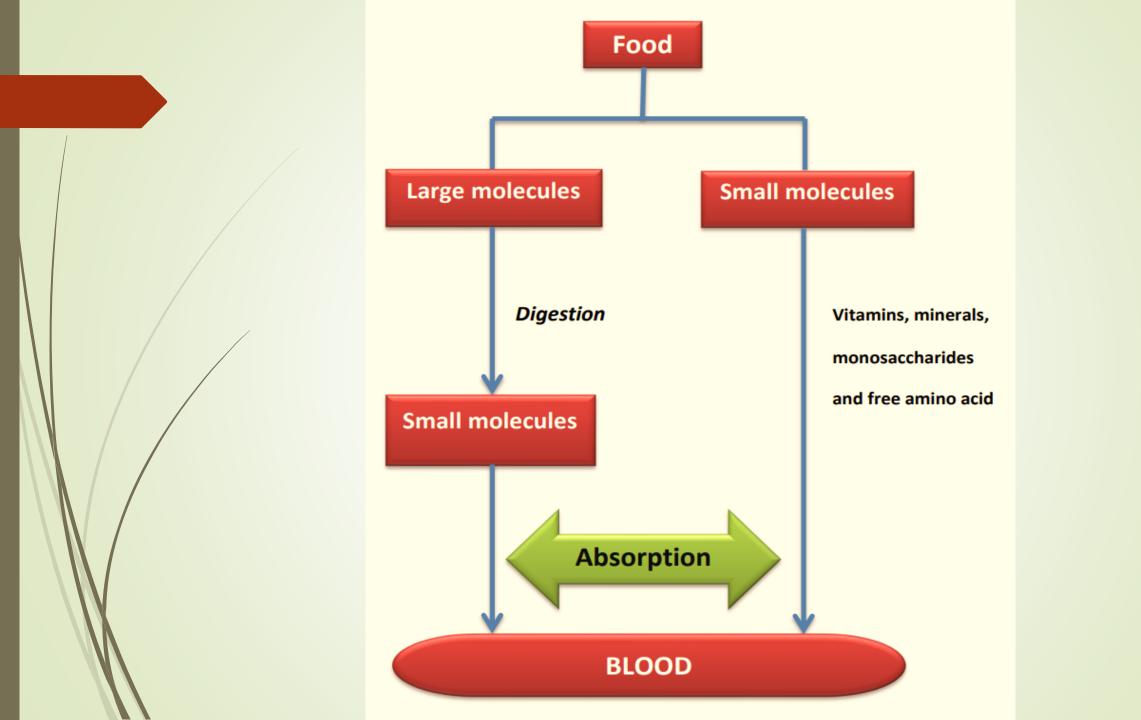
* The reactions that use the energy produced by catabolic reactions to synthesize larger molecules from smaller ones, such as when the body forms proteins by series of amino acids.

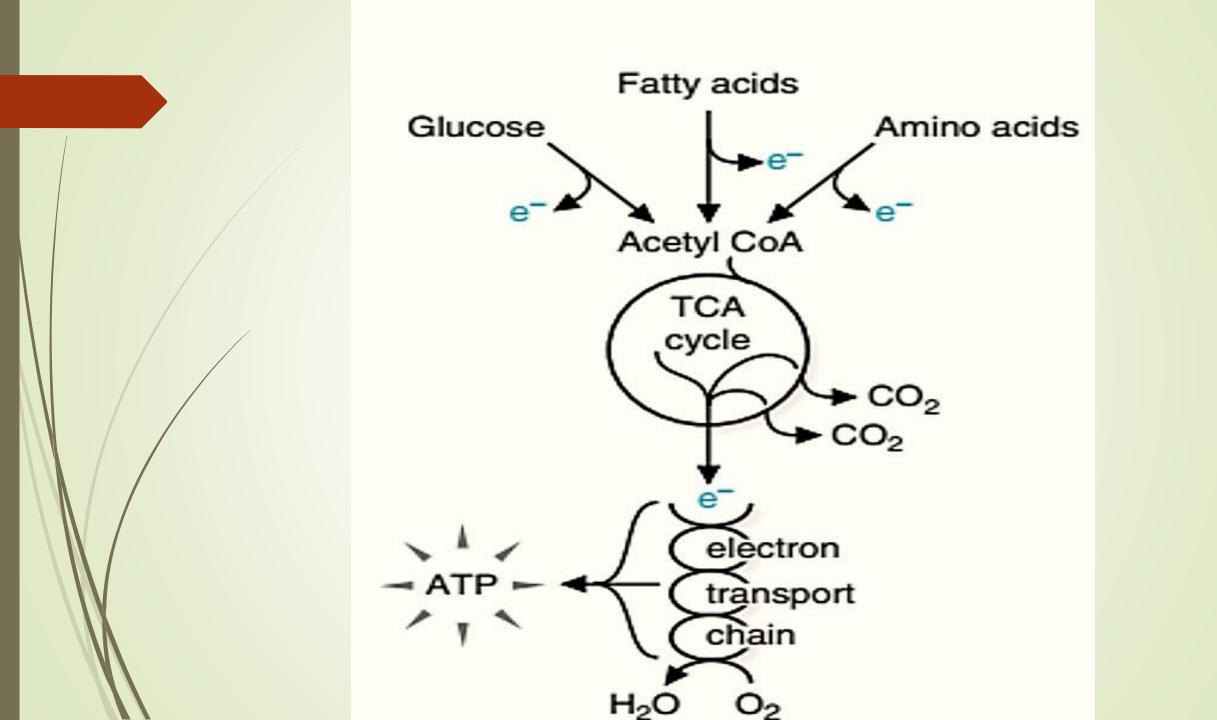
- * endergonic
- * non- spontaneous



Anabolism and catabolism occur together at the same time in the cell

- *The energy released in catabolism is stored and the used in anabolism.
- * Citric acid cycle, electron transport chain, and oxidative phosphorylation all take place in the mitochondrial membrane. In contrast, glycolysis, pentose phosphate pathway, and fatty acid biosynthesis all occur in the cytosol of a cell





Oxidation of carbohydrates to CO2 and H2O in the body produces approximately 4 kcal/g

Overview of Carbohydrate Digestion

