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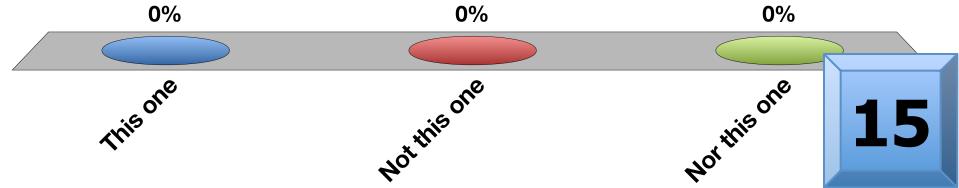
# Endocrine Pancreas: Histology and Physiology

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# Select “A”

- A. This one
- B. Not this one
- C. Nor this one

Response Counter



# What hormone is secreted from the pancreatic alpha cell

- A. Insulin
- B. Glucagon
- C. Somatostatin
- D. None of the above

Which tissue exhibits insulin stimulated glucose uptake

- A. Brain
- B. Liver
- C. Adipose
- D. Heart
- E. All of the above

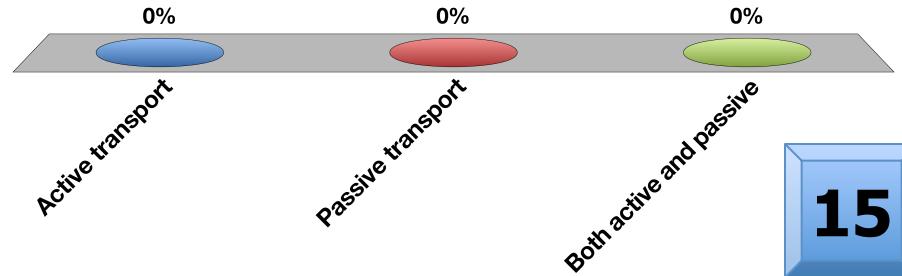
# What is the main target tissue for glucagon?

- A. Brain
- B. Liver
- C. Adipose
- D. Heart
- E. All of the above

# Insulin Stimulated Glucose Uptake is

- A. Active transport
- B. Passive transport
- C. Both active and passive

Response Counter



# What order are these metabolites used

- A. Glycogen, glucose  
then fat
- B. Glucose, glycogen  
then fat
- C. Fat then glycogen  
then glucose
- D. Fat then glucose  
then glycogen

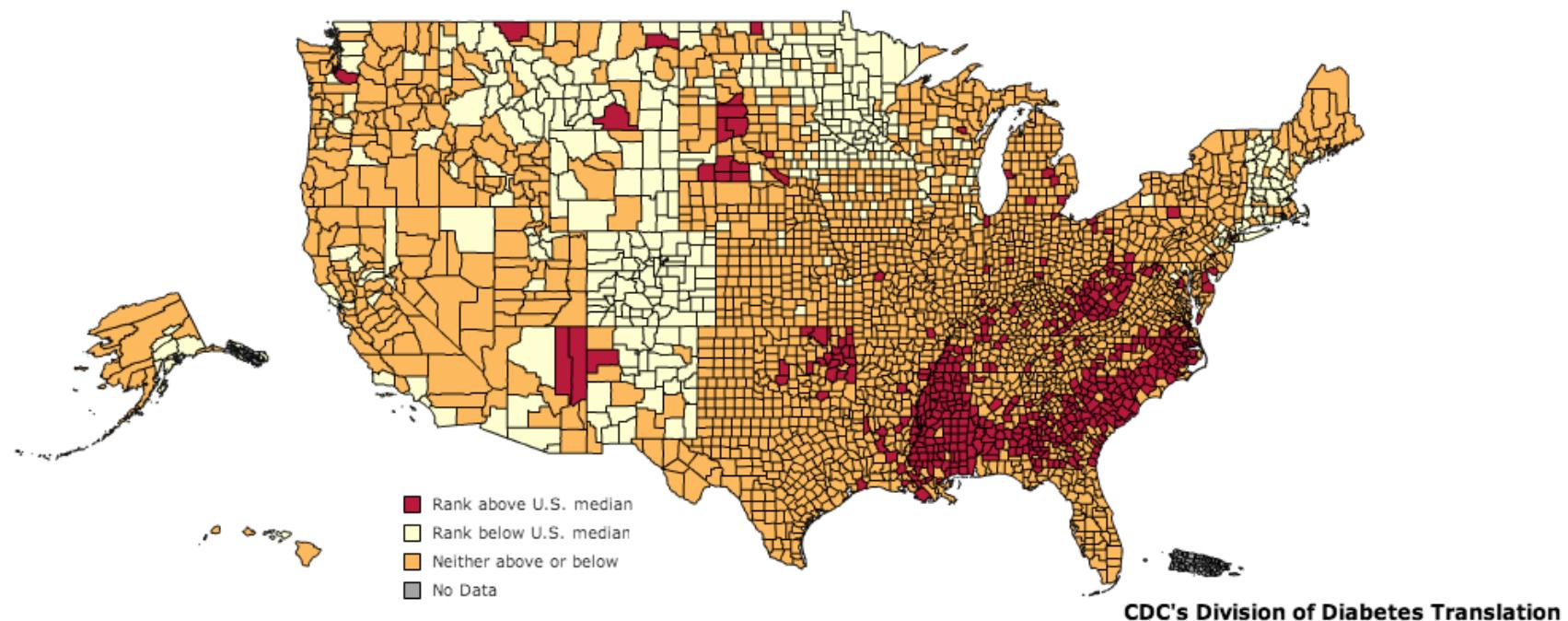
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# Diabetes Mellitus

- One of the first described diseases (1500 BC)
- Named diabetes by Appolonius of Memphis (Egypt)
  - Diabetes (to pass through)
  - Mellitus (from honey)

# Diabetes in the United States



# **GLUCOSE REGULATION**

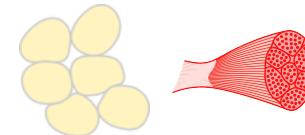
# Regulation of Blood Glucose Levels

- Gluconeogenesis
- Disposal
  - Glucose Uptake
  - Glucose Storage
  - Glucose Utilization

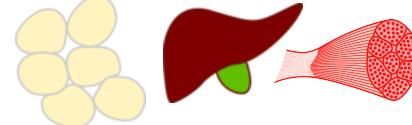
Glucose Production



Glucose Uptake



Glucose Storage  
and Utilization



Consuming carbohydrates

Gluconeogenesis

Glycogenolysis

# **MAKING MORE GLUCOSE**

# Gluconeogenesis

- Primarily occurs in the liver
- Uses amino acids and fatty acids to generate glucose

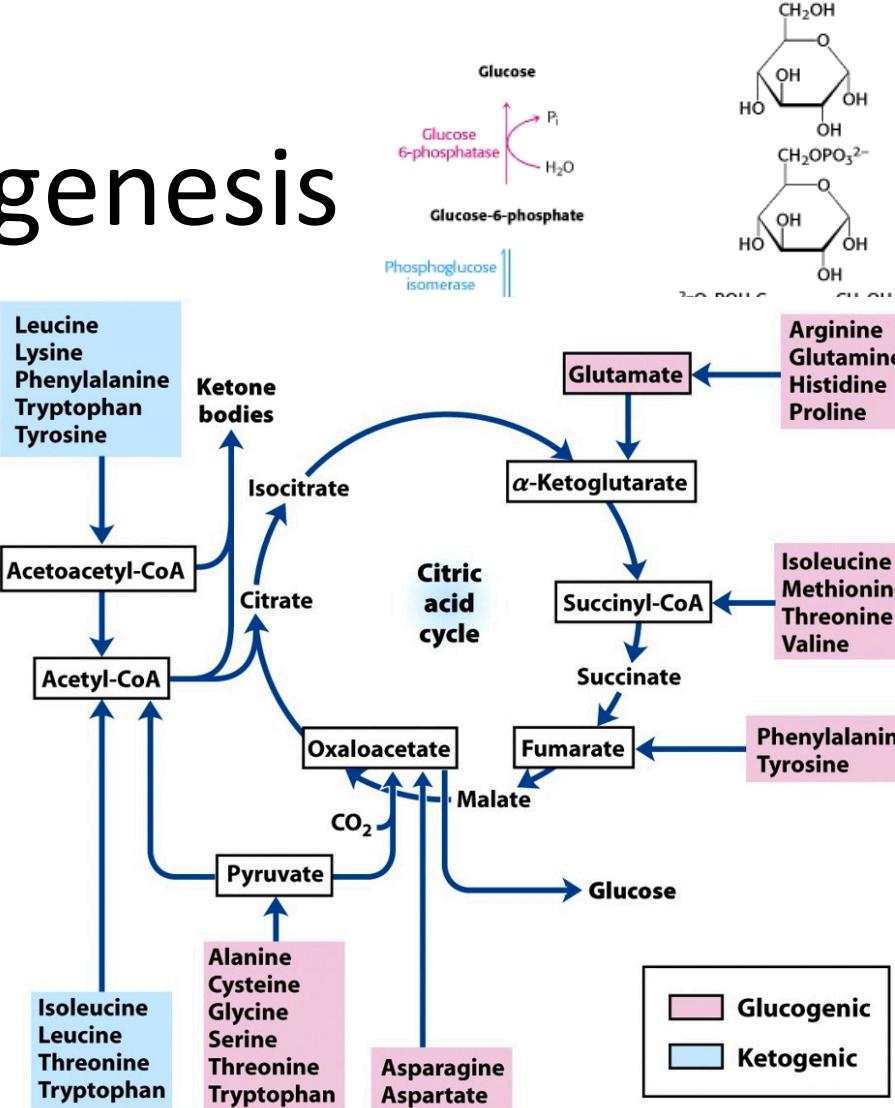
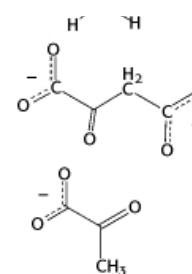
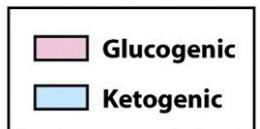
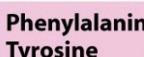
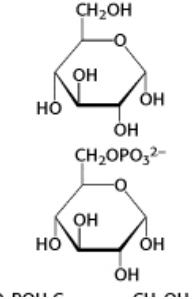
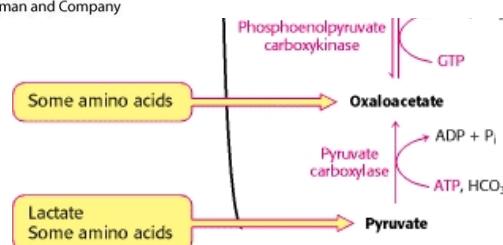
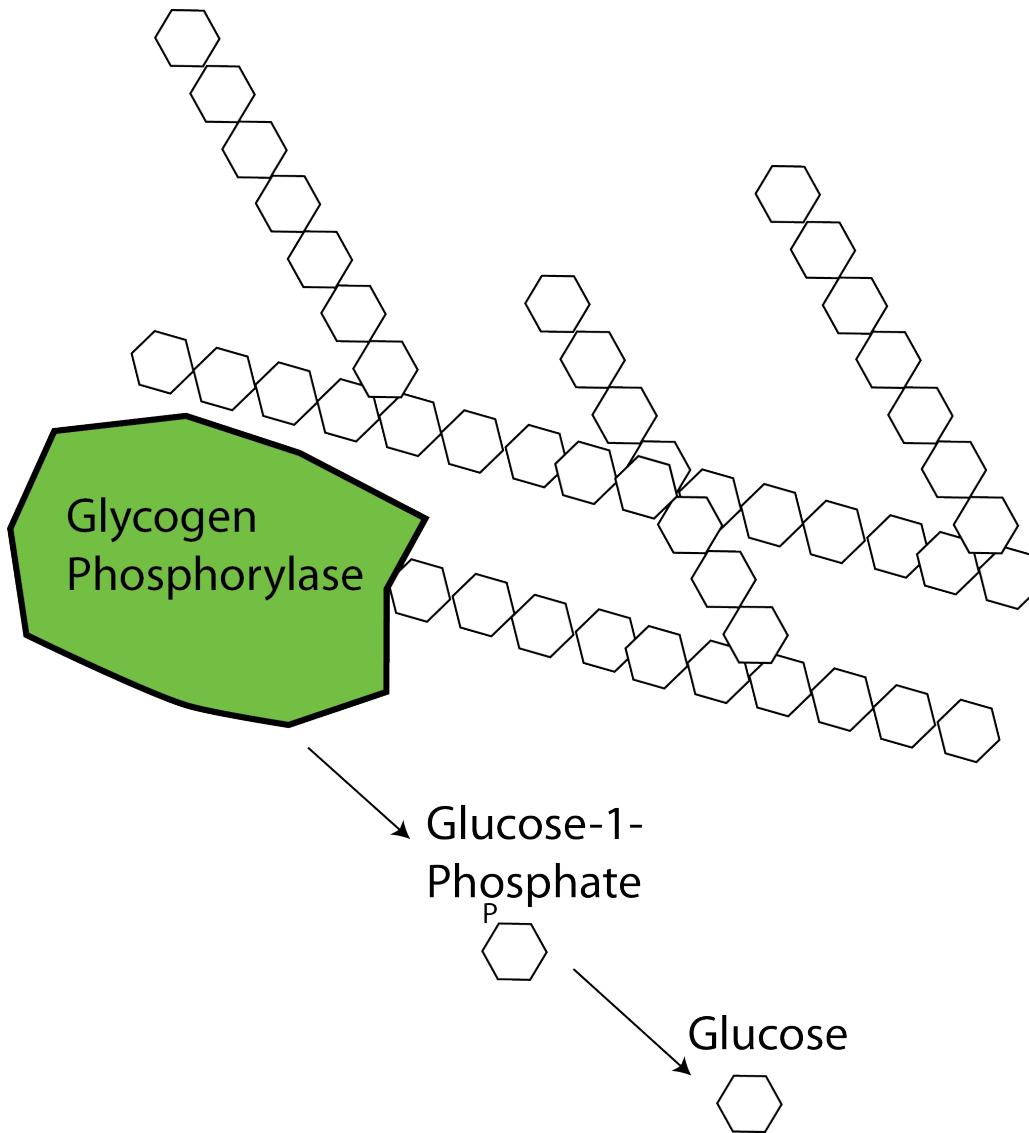


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# Glycogenolysis



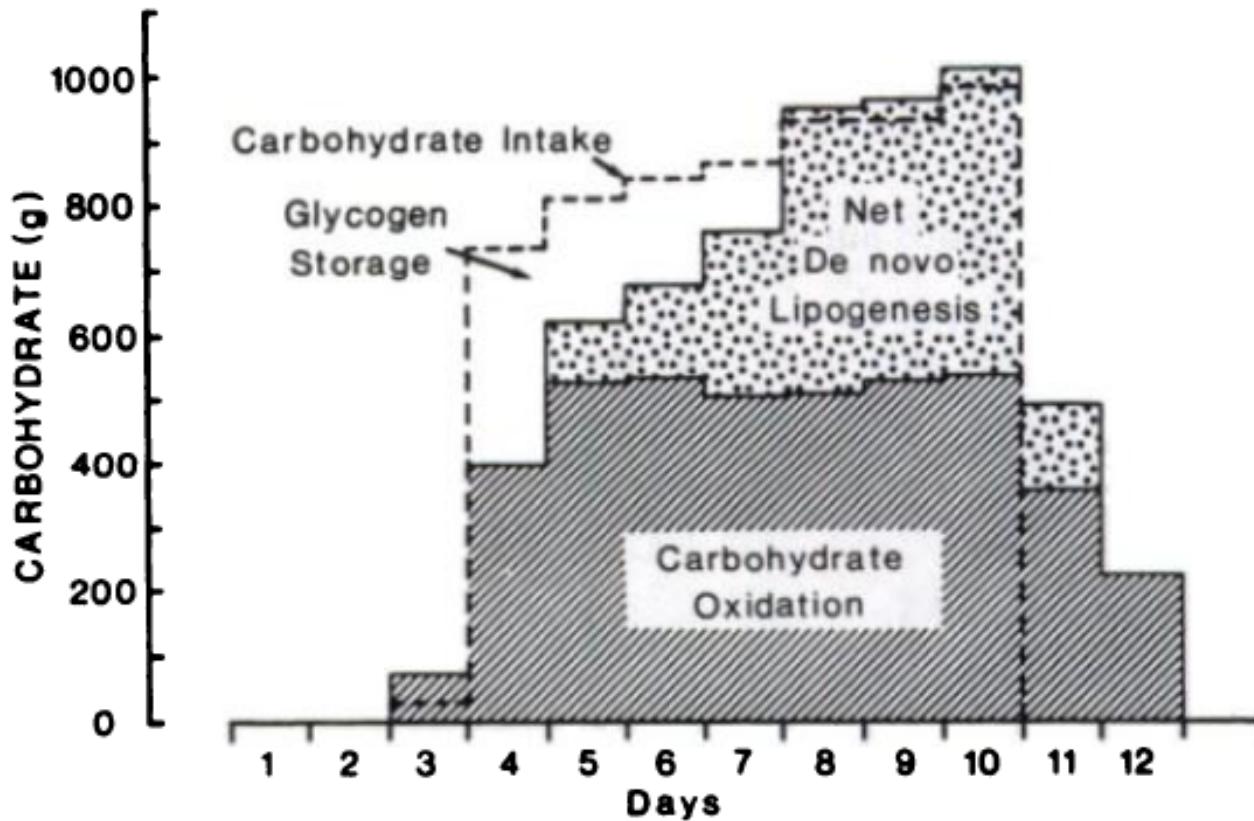
Glucose Oxidation

Glucose uptake

Glycogen and Lipid Synthesis

# **REMOVING BLOOD GLUCOSE**

# Responses to Overfeeding

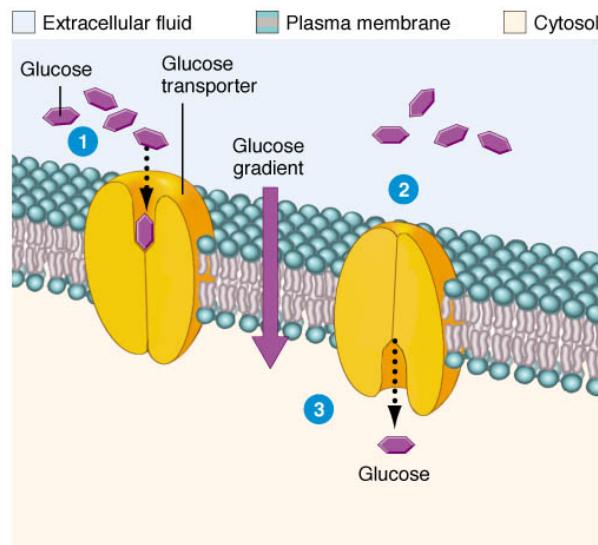


K. J. Acheson, Y. Schutz, T. Bessard, K. Anantharaman, J. P. Flatt, E. Jequier, Glycoprotein storage capacity and de novo lipogenesis during massive carbohydrate overfeeding in man *Am. J. Clin. Nutr.* 48, 240–247 (1988).

# Glucose Uptake

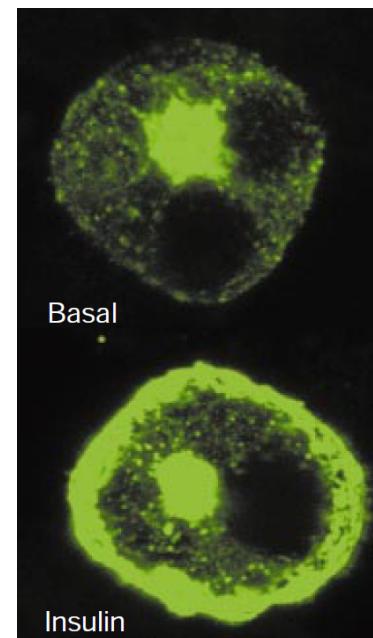
## Non-Stimulated Glucose Uptake

- Brain
- Liver
- Kidneys



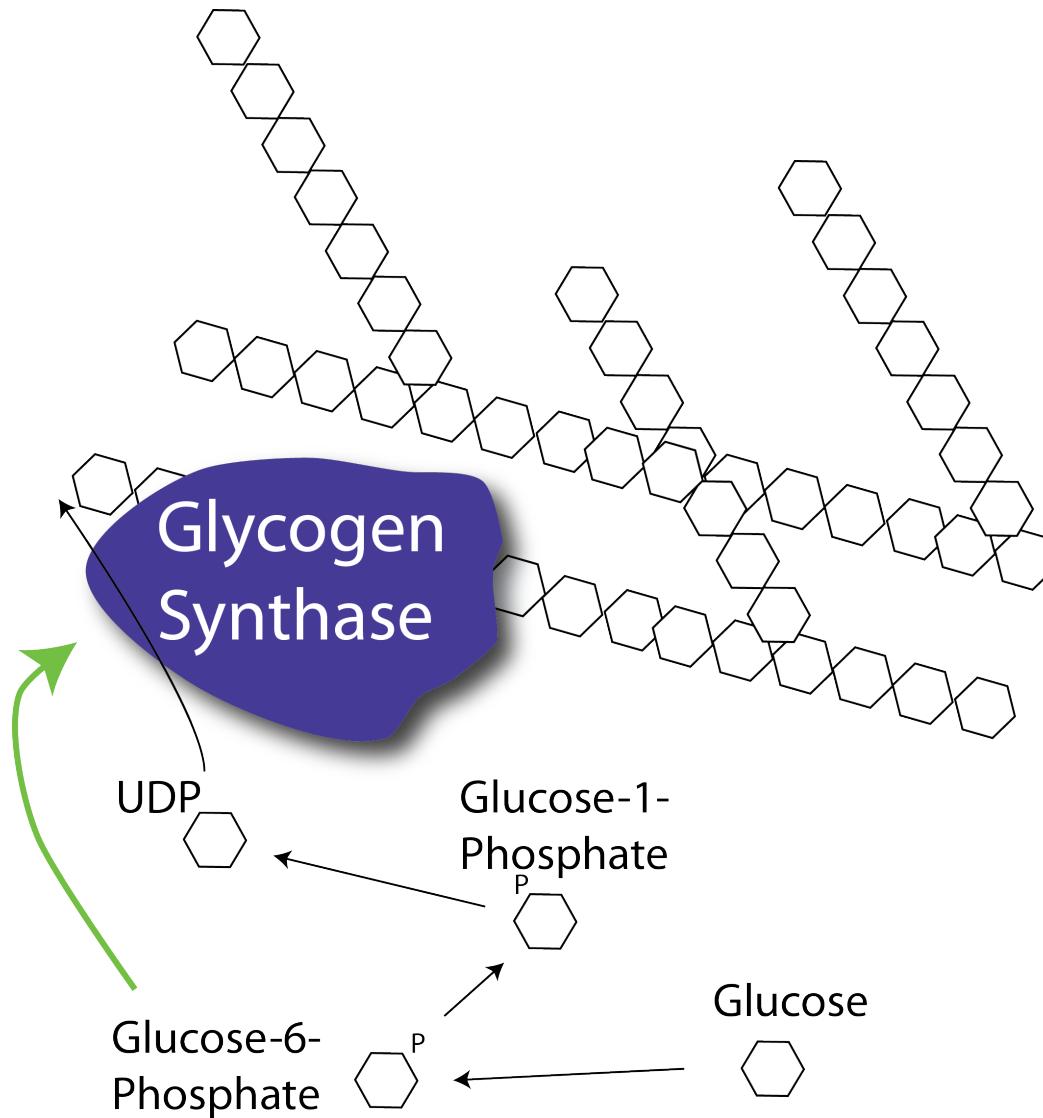
## Stimulated Glucose Uptake

- Fat
- Muscle



GLUT4-eGFP  
From Saltiel and Kahn  
(2001) Nature  
414:799-806

# Glycogenesis



# Order of Fuel Utilization/Storage

## Energy Production (Fasting)

- Creatine phosphate
- Glycolysis
- Glycogen
- Gluconeogenesis
- Fat Oxidation

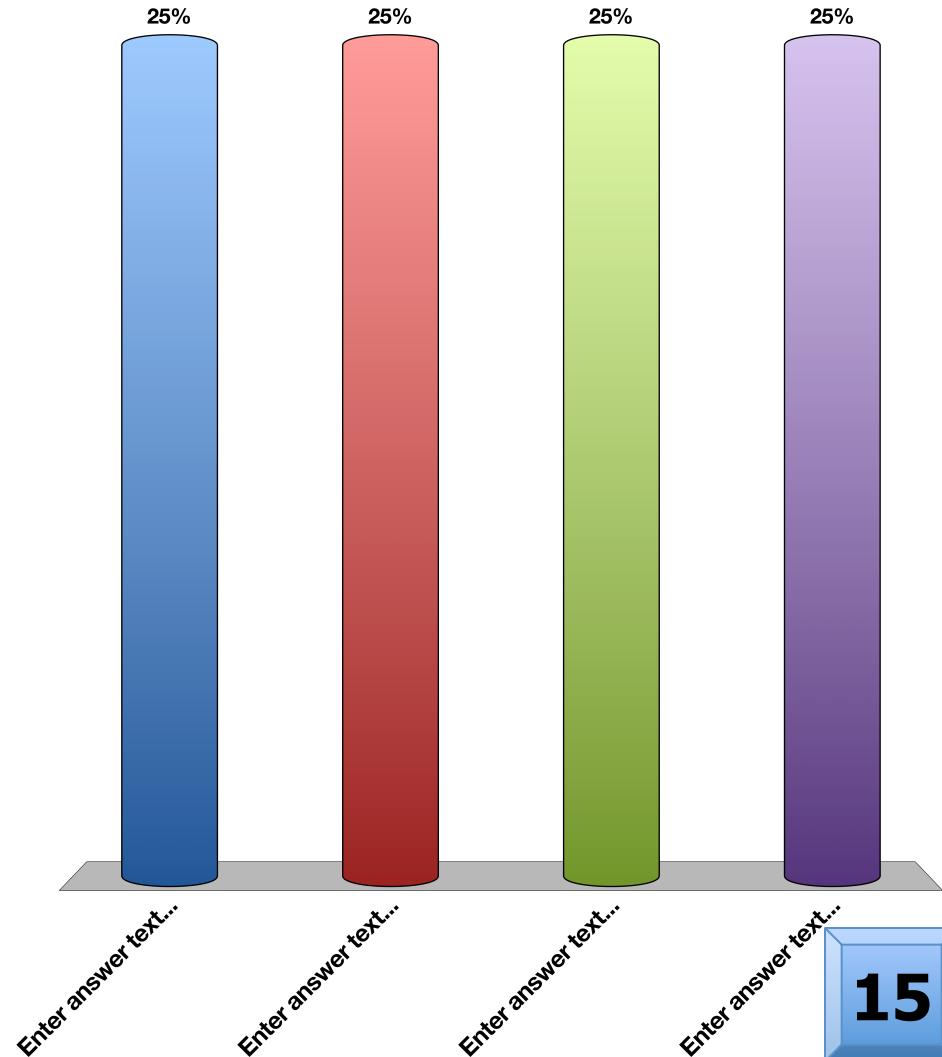
## Fuel Storage (Fed)

- Glucose uptake/oxidation
- Glycogenesis
- Lipogenesis

# What would happen if you are unable to store glucose only in adipose

- A. Obese,  
hyperglycemic
- B. Obese,  
hypoglycemic
- C. Lean, hyperglycemic
- D. Lean, hypoglycemic

Response  
Counter



# **MECHANISMS TO REDUCE BLOOD GLUCOSE**

# The Discovery of Insulin



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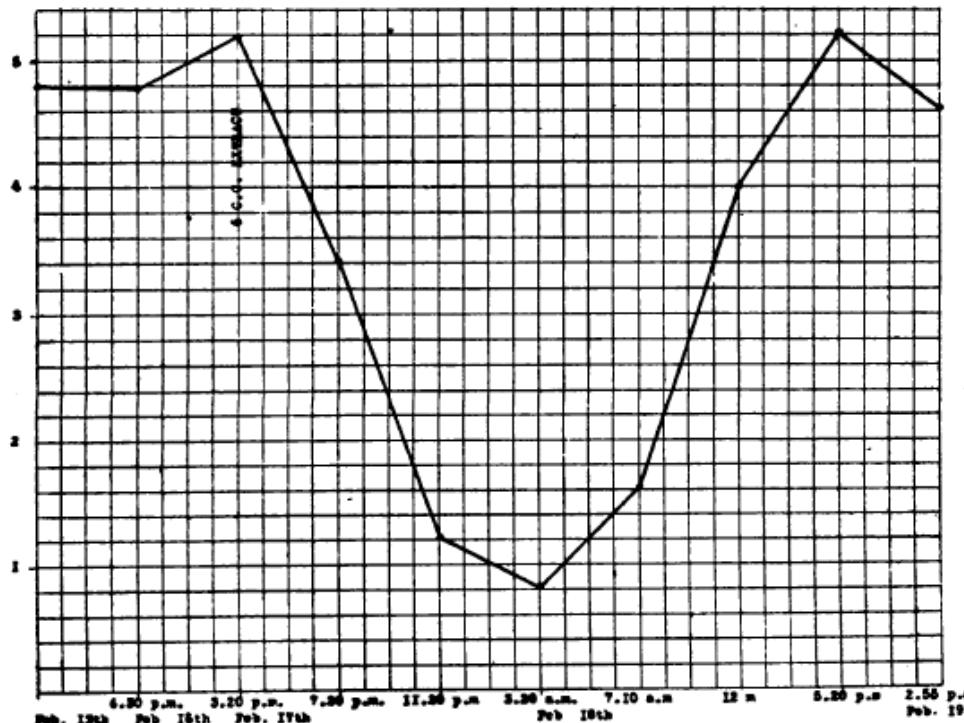


CHART III.—Effect of one injection of extract on Blood  
Sugar (mgs. per c.c.e=tenth per cent)

# Which of these should insulin block?

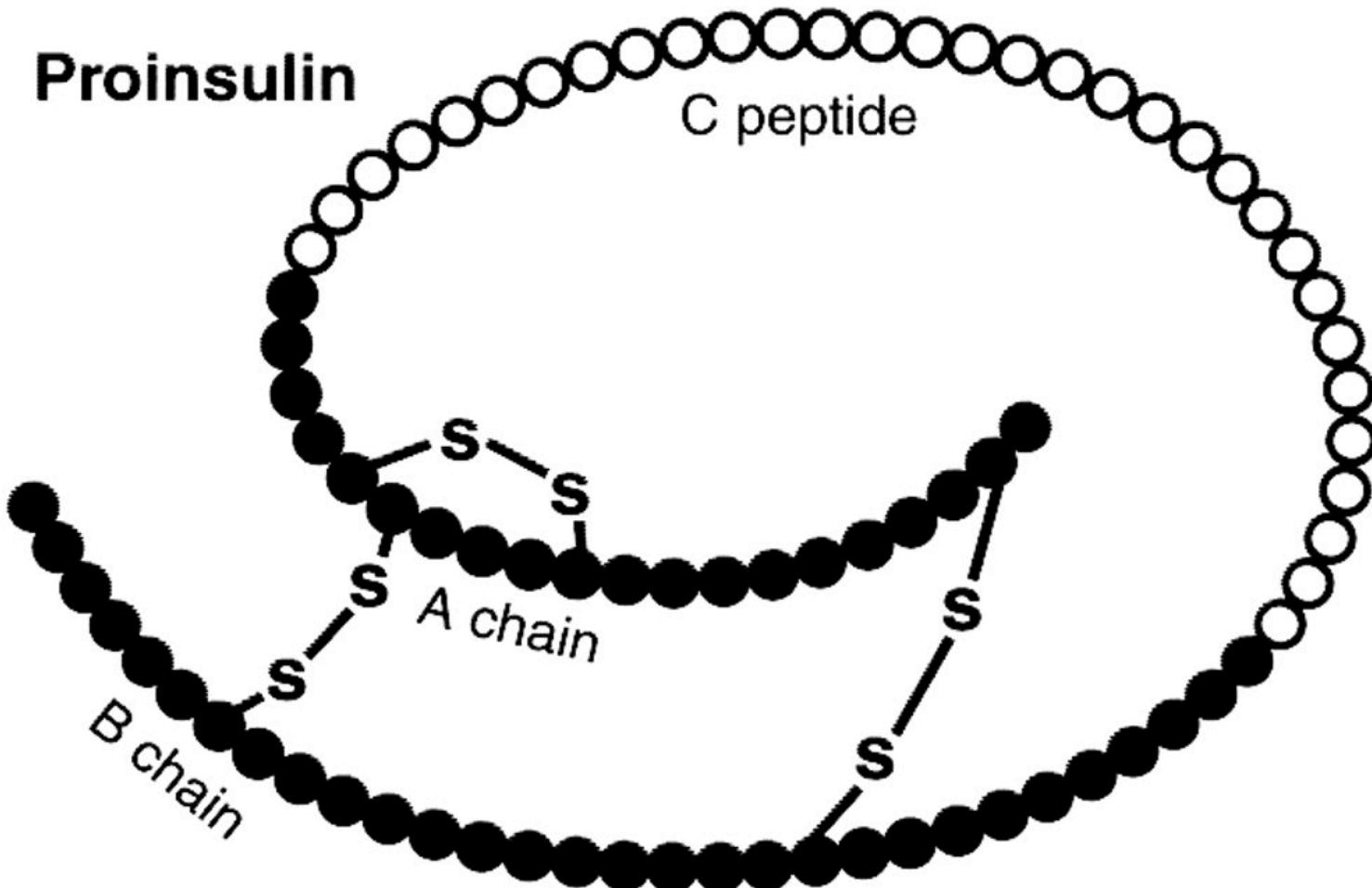
- A. Glucose oxidation
- B. Gluconeogenesis
- C. Glucose uptake
- D. Glycogenesis



# Think and discuss

- A patient has no insulin response in the liver,  
what should be the effects on
  - Blood glucose
  - Lipid storage
  - Insulin levels
  - Obesity

# Insulin Structure

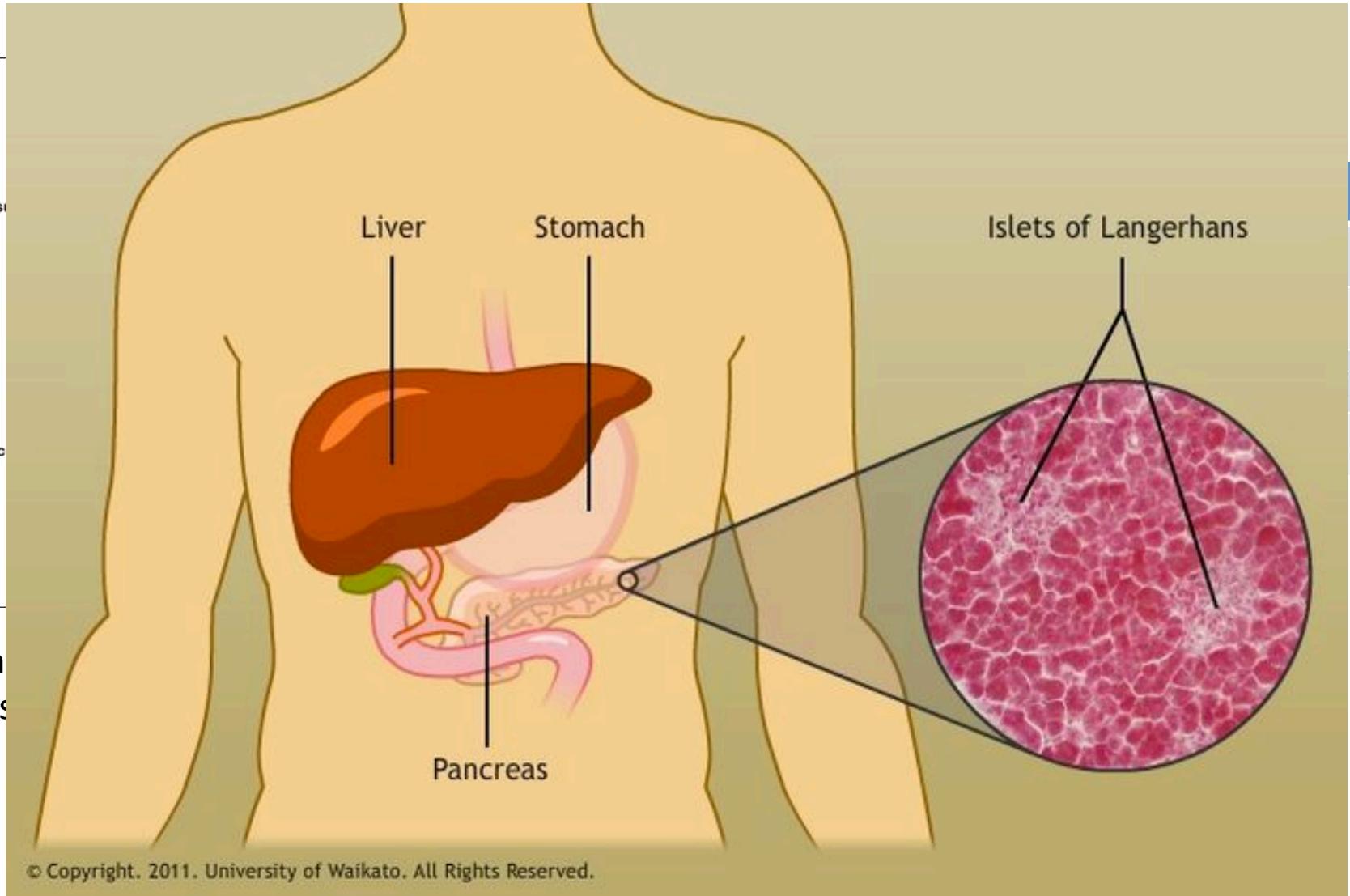


If you want to know insulin production in someone who is also taking injected insulin what would you measure?

- A. insulin
- B. C-peptide
- C. Glucagon
- D. Glucose

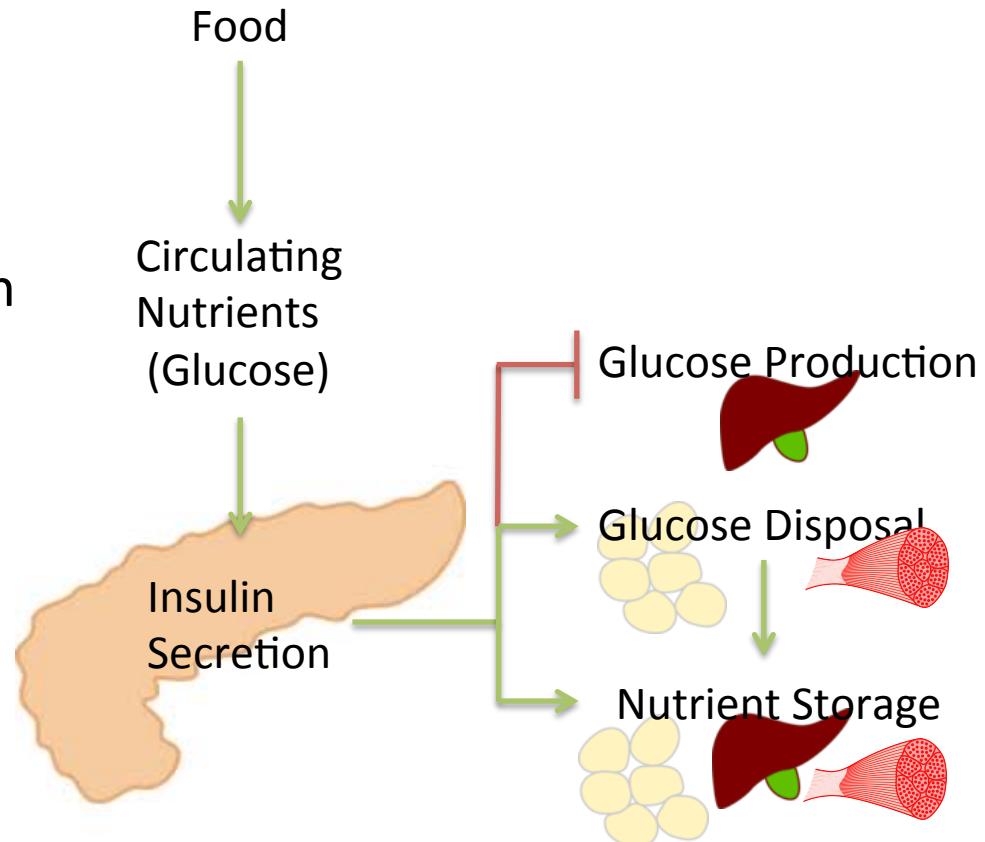
Response  
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# Pancreatic Anatomy

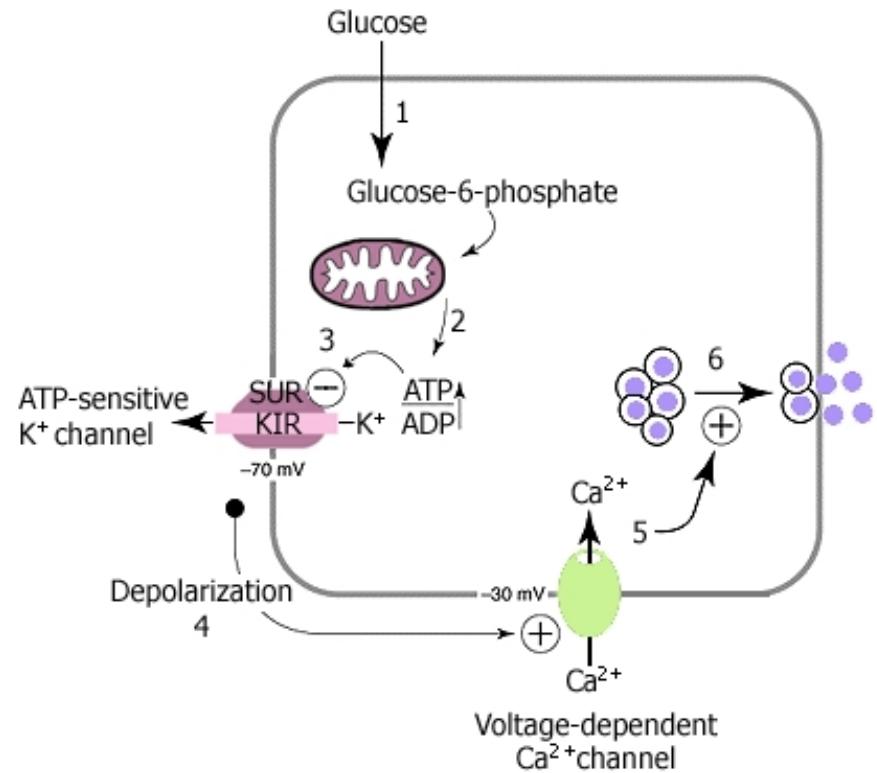
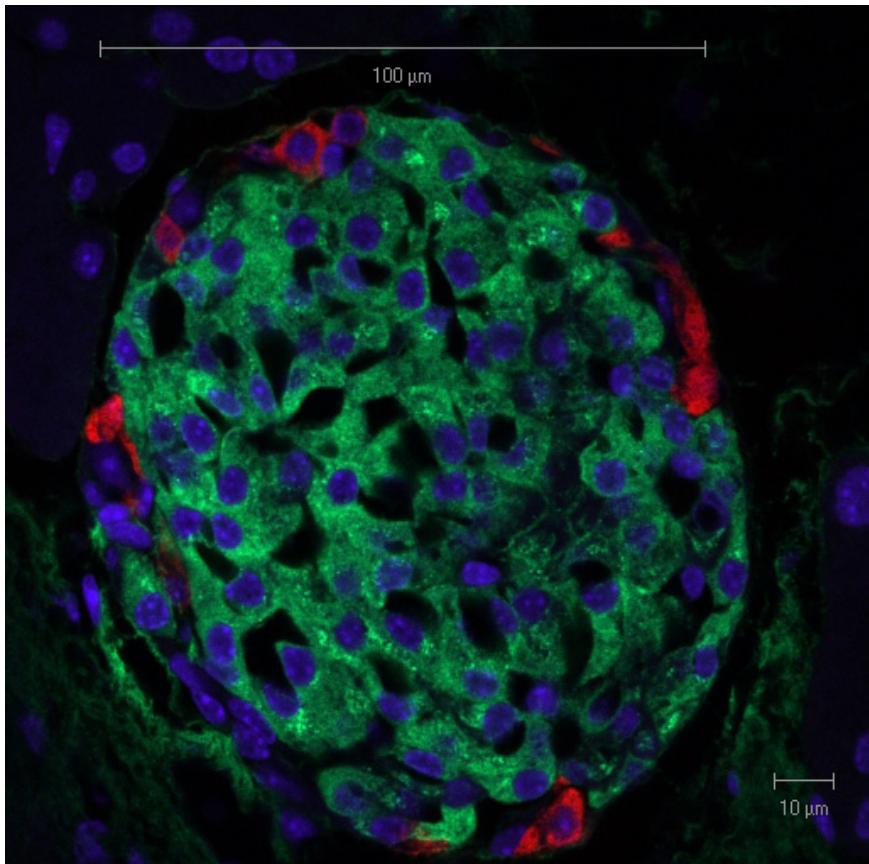


# Functions of Insulin

1. Promotes the uptake of glucose from the blood into muscle and adipose tissue.
2. Enhances the synthesis of glycogen and triglycerides in liver, adipose and muscle.
3. Insulin inhibits gluconeogenesis, or the production of glucose from non-glucose precursors such as amino acids and lipids.
4. Promote glucose breakdown and prevent lipid breakdown



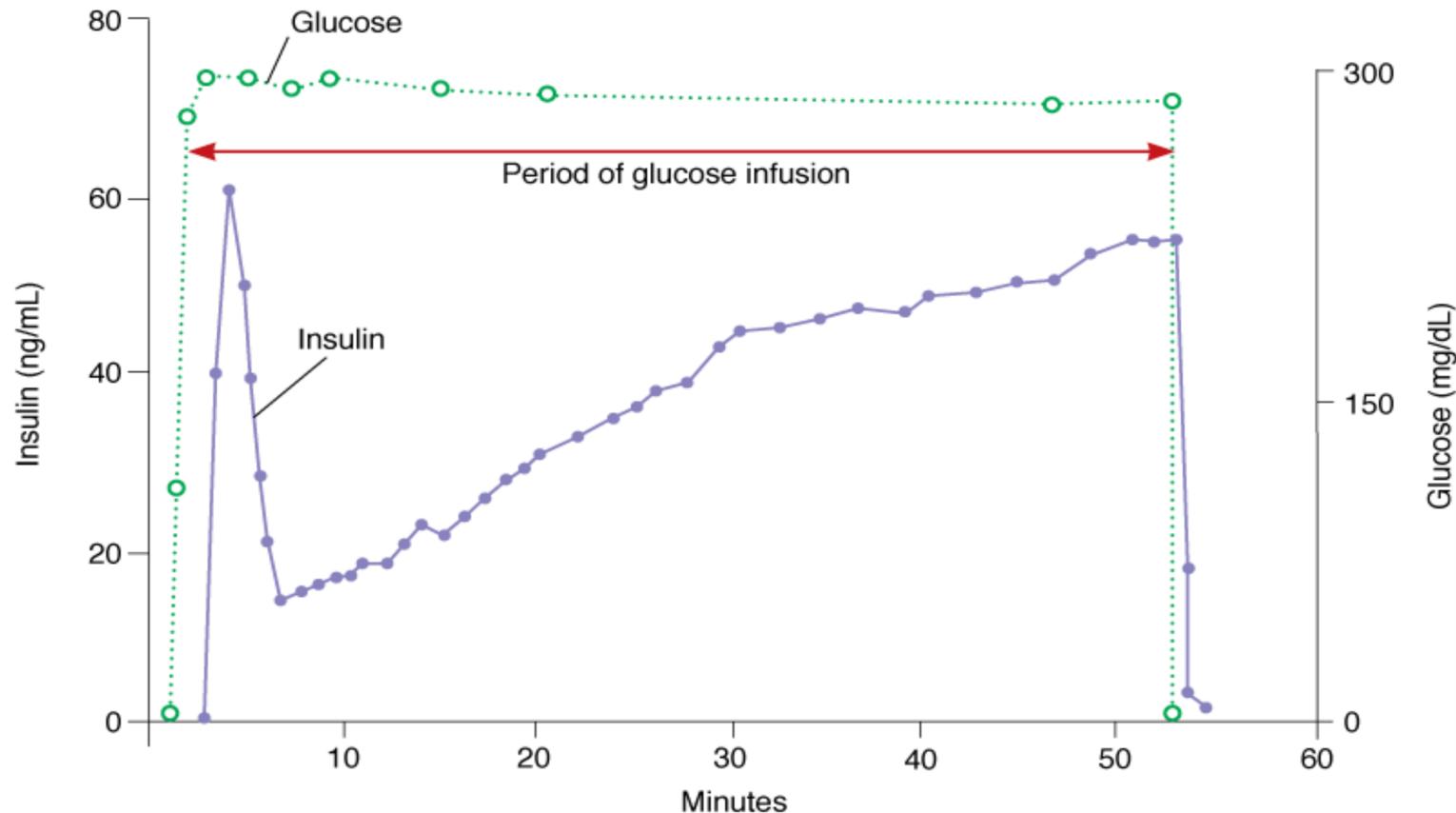
# Insulin Secretion



Suckale and Solimena (2008) Frontiers in bioscience 13:7156-71

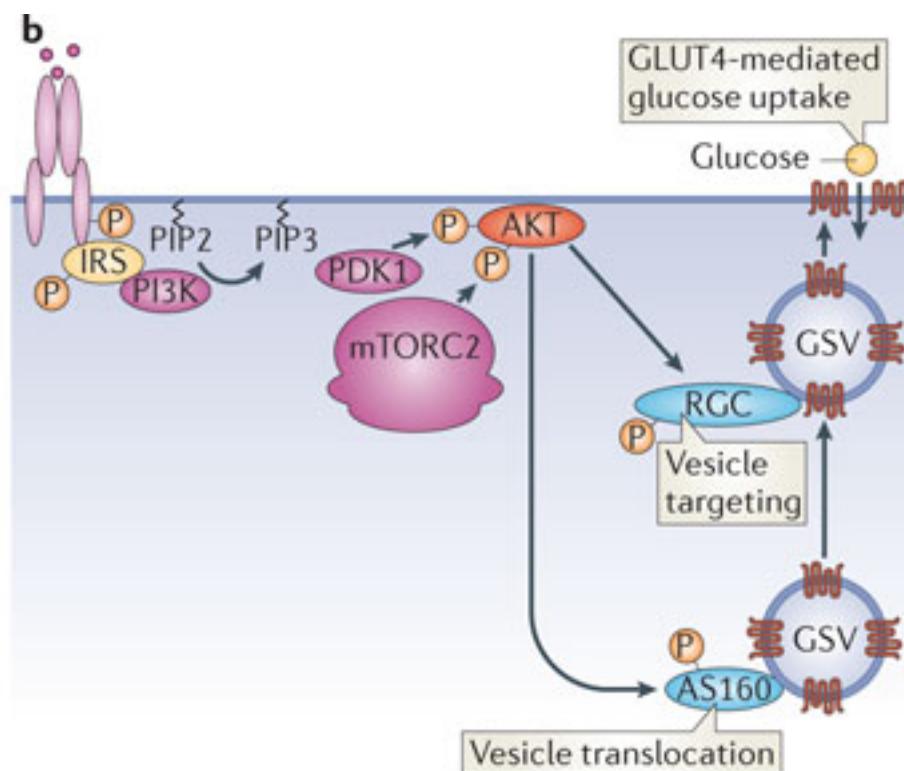
Pancreatic Islet with **Glucagon** and **Insulin** Staining  
From Solilema Lab ([http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islets\\_of\\_Langerhans](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Islets_of_Langerhans))

# Biphasic Insulin Secretion



Source: Gardner DG, Shoback D: *Greenspan's Basic & Clinical Endocrinology*, 9th Edition: [www.accessmedicine.com](http://www.accessmedicine.com)  
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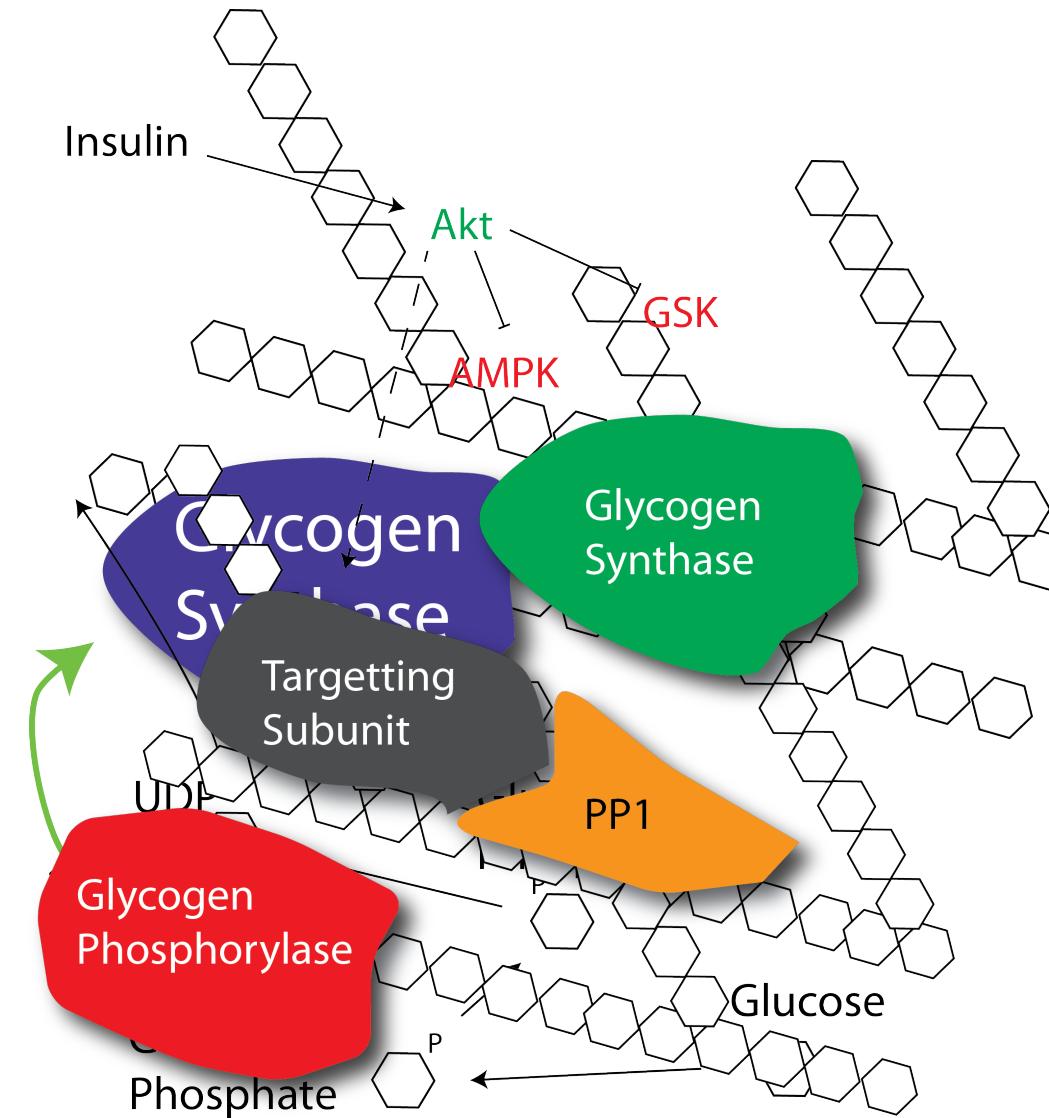
# Insulin Stimulated GLUT4 Translocation



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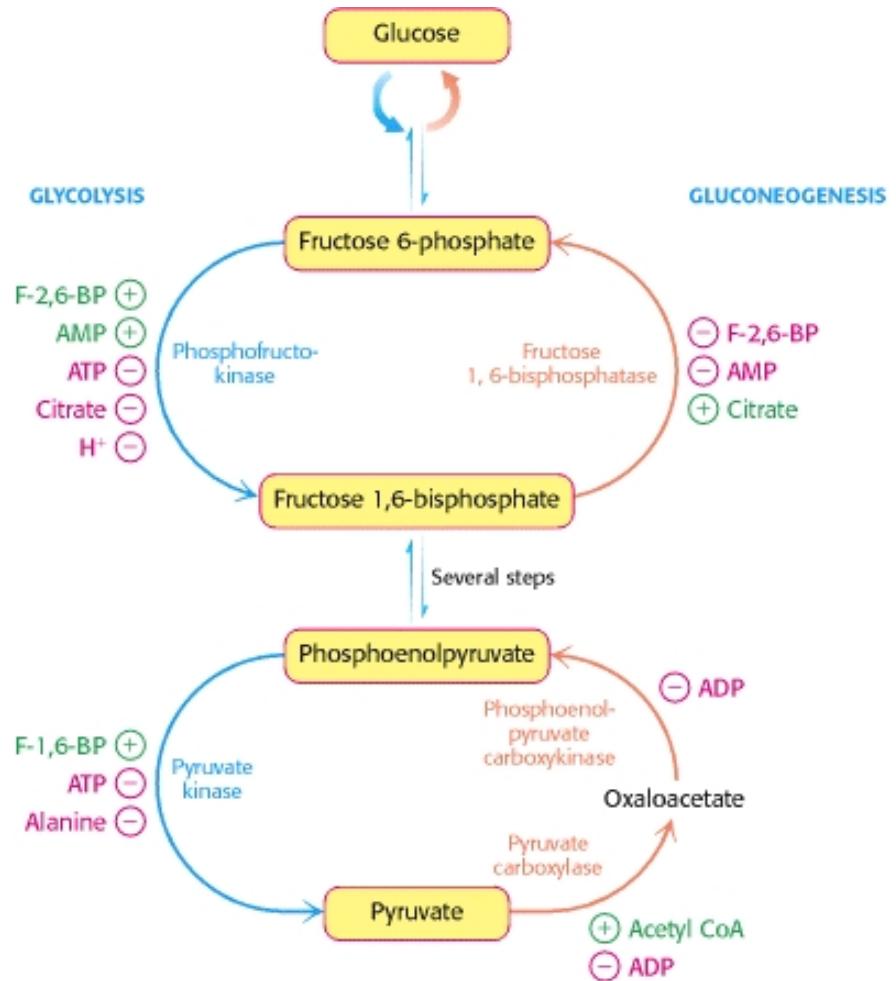
# How does insulin promote glycogenesis?

- Allosteric activation
- Protein dephosphorylation

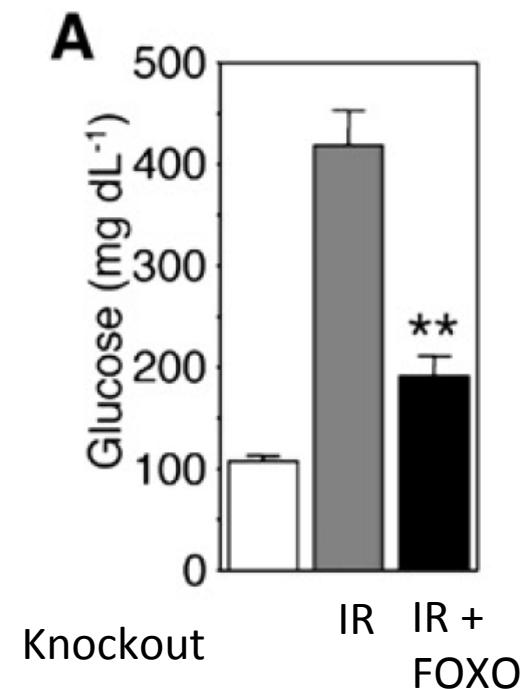
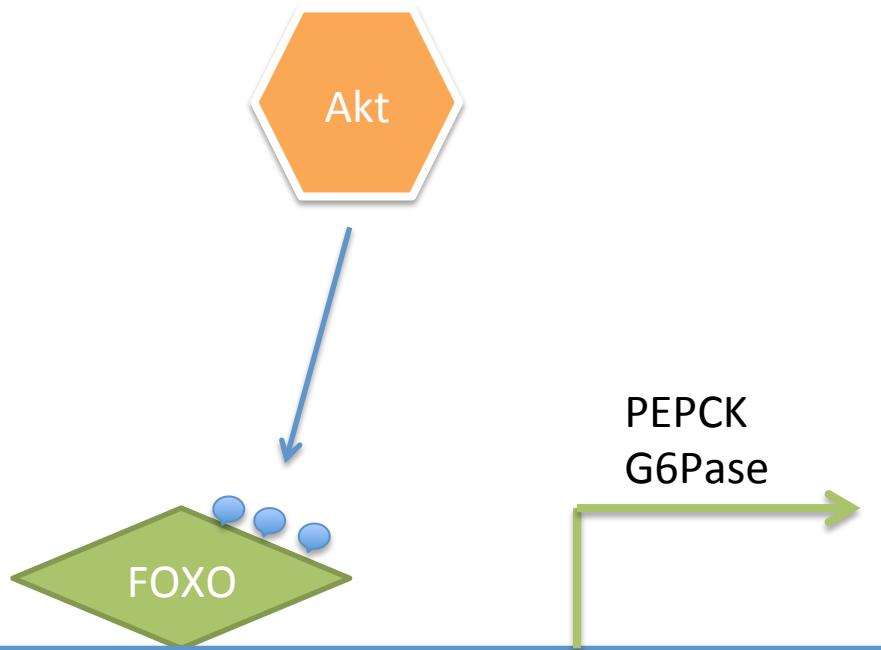


# How does insulin reduce gluconeogenesis

- FBPase is negatively regulated by F-2,6-BP
- PEPCK and G6Pase are inhibited by insulin
  - Allosterically
  - Protein phosphorylation
  - Transcriptionally repressed



# Transcriptional Regulation of Gluconeogenesis



Matsumoto *et al.* (2007) Cell  
Metab. 6:208-16

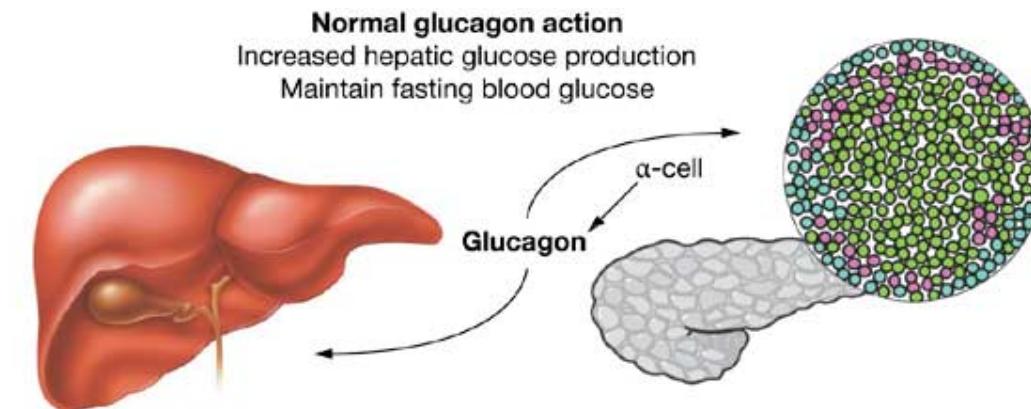
# Talk amongst yourselves

- Why would gluconeogenesis be under transcriptional control, whereas glycogenesis is primarily under post-translational control
- Hint: think about the speed of post-translational vs transcriptional responses

# **MECHANISMS TO INCREASE BLOOD GLUCOSE**

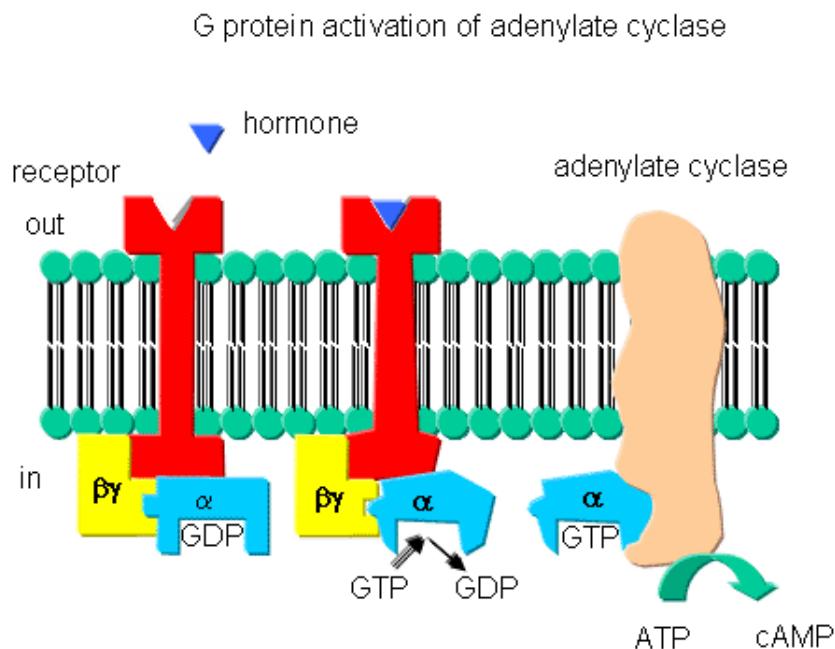
# Glucagon Secretion

- Secreted from alpha cells of the pancreas
- Released by low blood sugar levels
- Acts primarily on the liver not the muscle or fat tissues

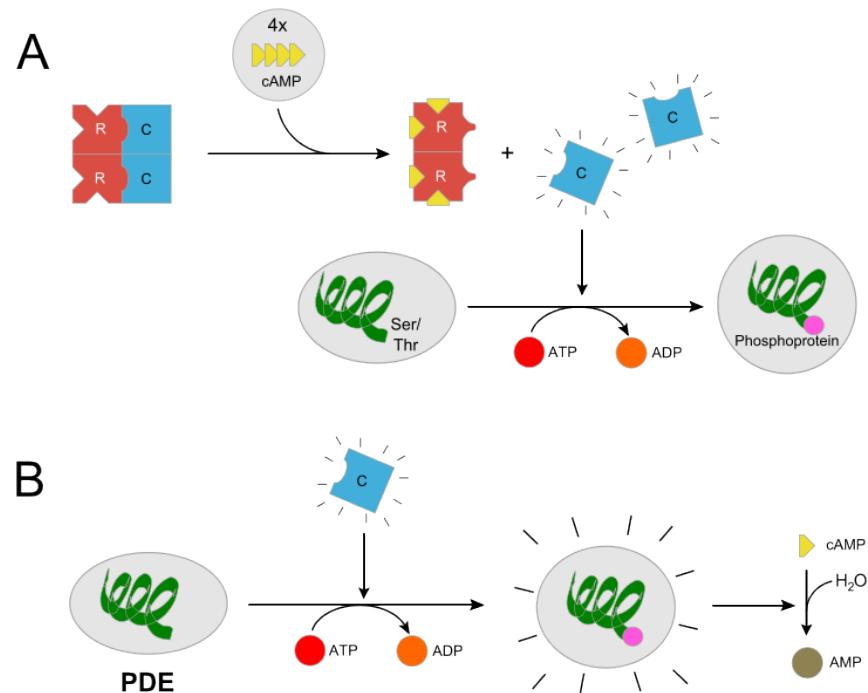


**Reduced or absent glucagon action**  
Reduced hepatic glucose production  
Fasting hypoglycemia  
Islet  $\alpha$ -cell hyperplasia  
Pancreatic GLP-1 production  
Hyperglucagonemia

# Glucagon Signaling

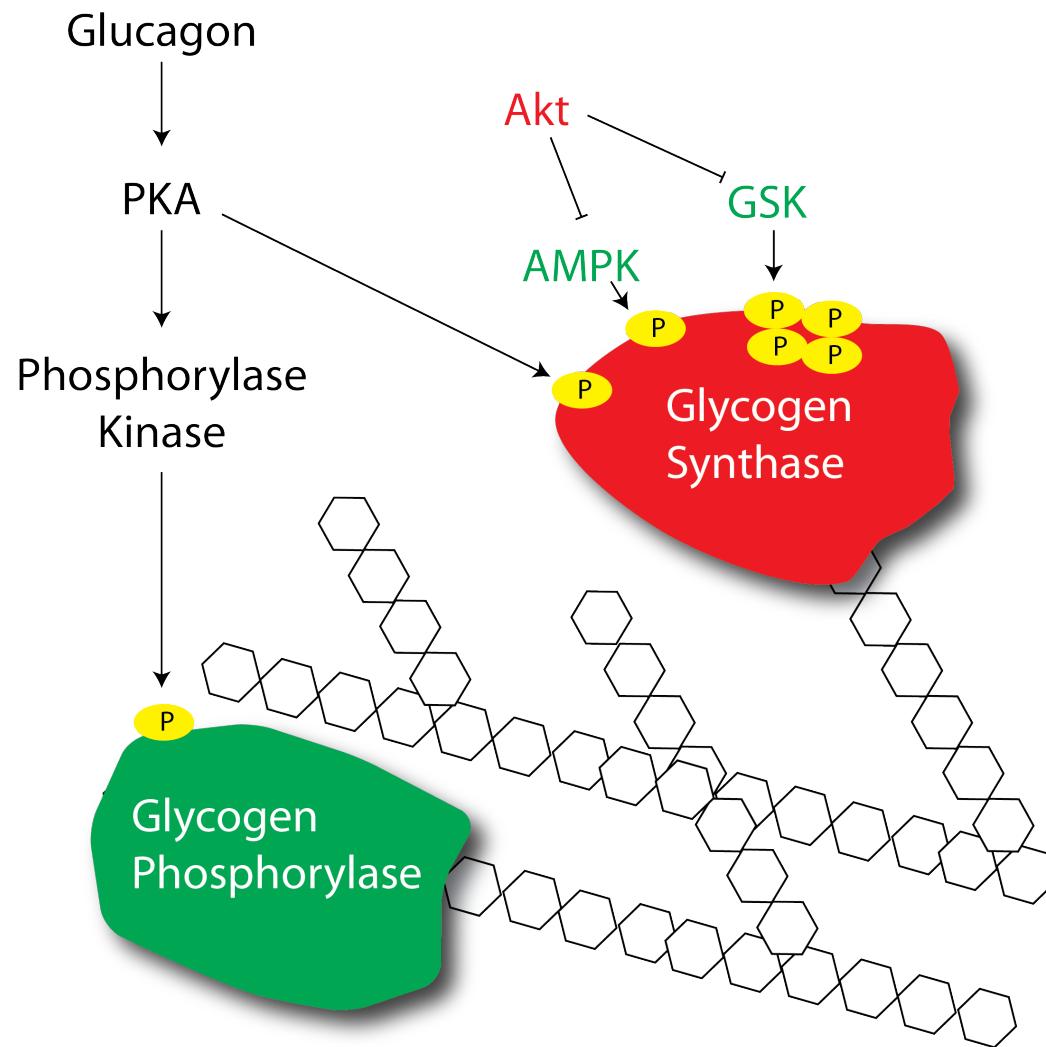


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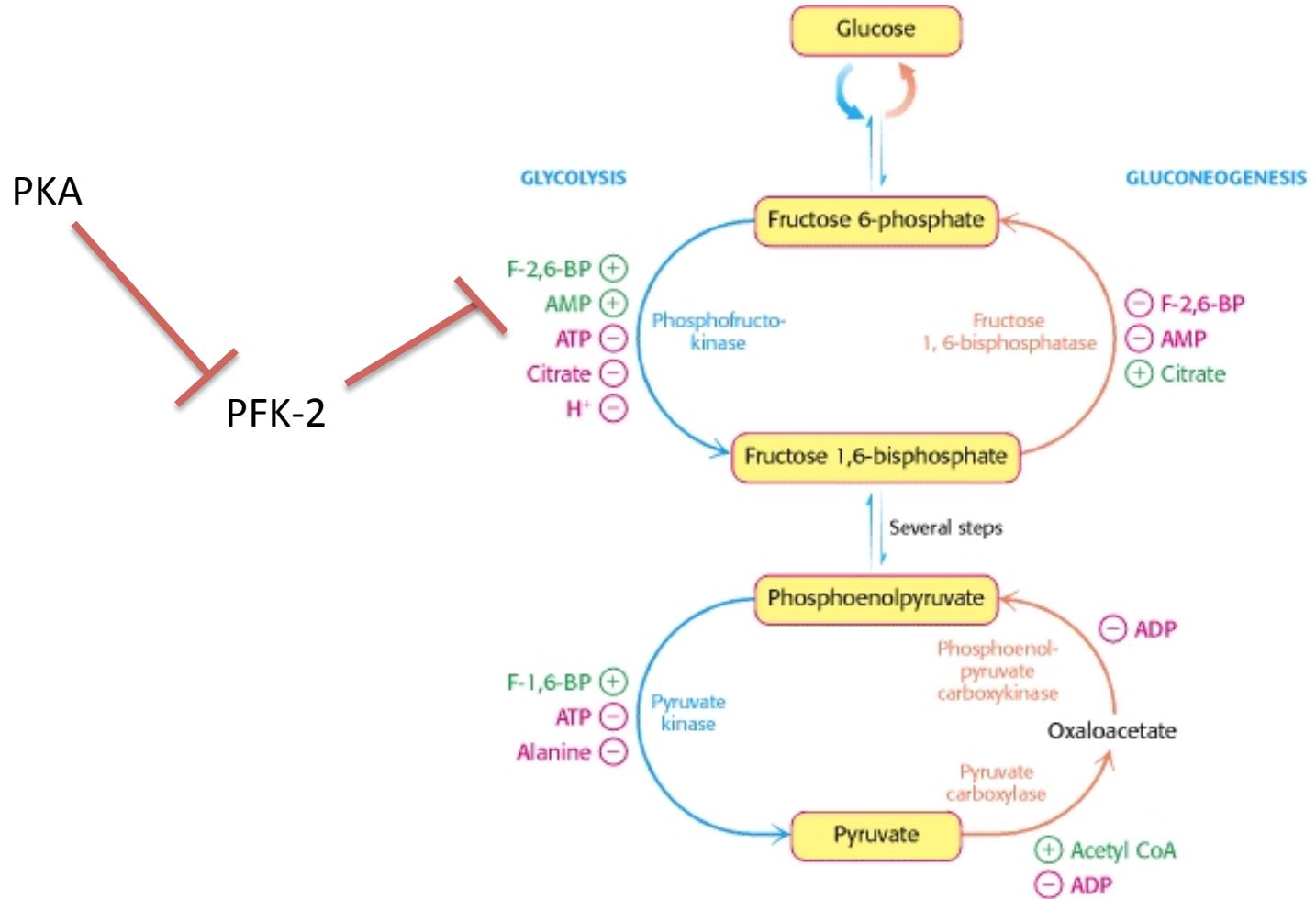


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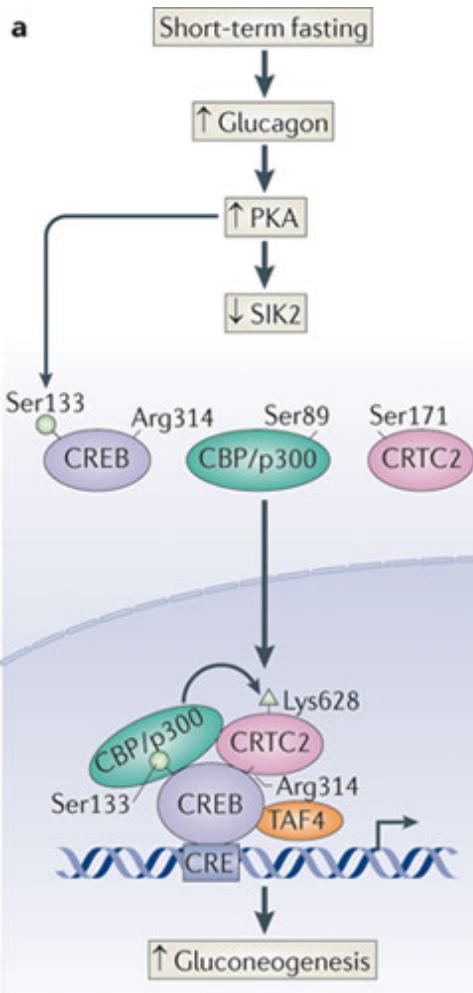
# How does glucagon regulate glycogenolysis?



# How does glucagon promote gluconeogenesis?



# Transcriptional Regulation of Gluconeogenesis



More G6Pase, FBpase and PEPCK

Altajeros and Montminy (2008)  
Nat. Rev. MCB. 3:141-151

# Glucagon and Insulin Clearance

- Half lives in blood:
  - Insulin: about 5 minutes
  - Glucagon: about 5-10 minutes
- Insulin degradation:
  - About 80 % in liver and kidney
  - Rest in other tissues (target tissues and non-target tissues)
  - Insulinase (insulin protease)
    - may act when insulin-insulin receptor is internalized
    - possible site of drugs to prolong insulin life and make limited supply last longer
- Glucagon degradation:
  - Most occurs in the liver; peripheral concentrations of Gg are low

# Summary of Insulin and Glucagon

## Insulin

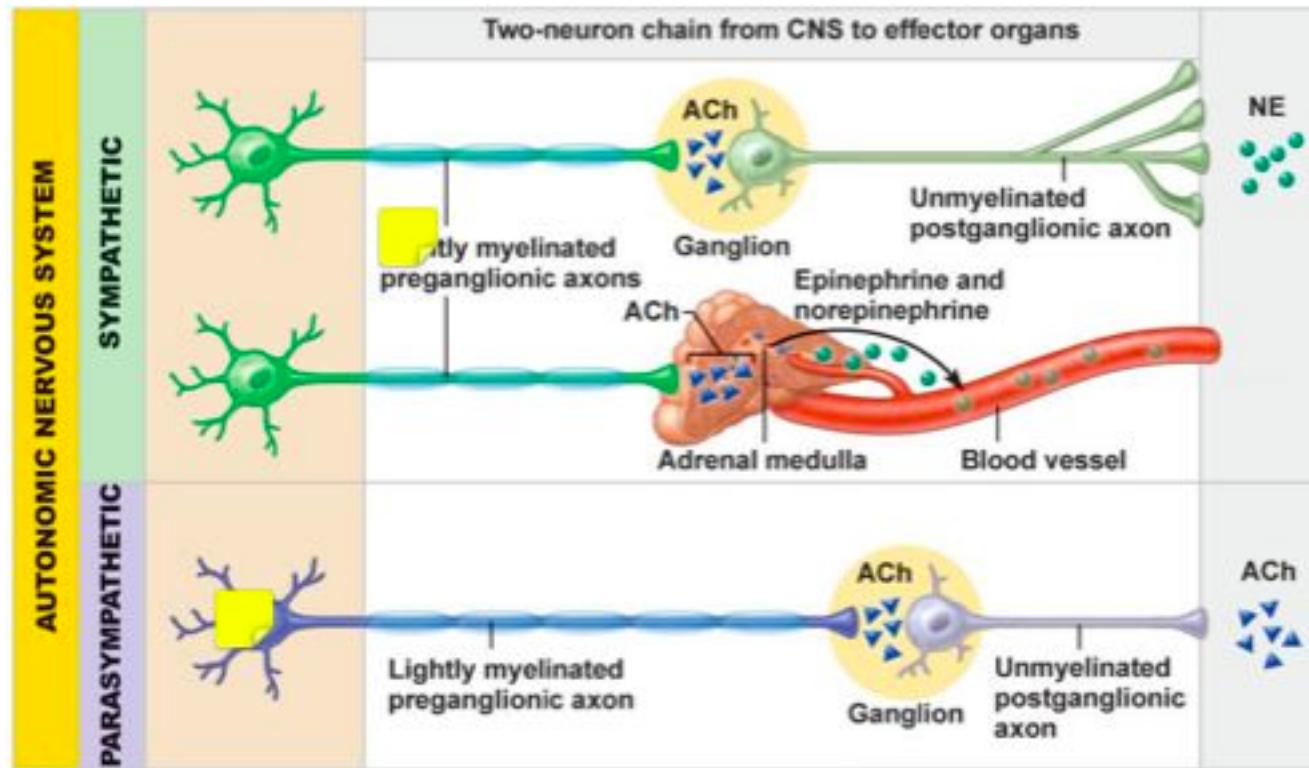
- Blocks gluconeogenesis
- Blocks glycogenolysis
- Promotes glycogenesis
- Enhances glucose uptake
- Promotes lipid storage

## Glucagon

- Promotes gluconeogenesis
- Promotes glycolysis
- Blocks glycogenesis

# **SECONDARY REGULATION OF GLUCOSE METABOLISM**

# Nervous Control of Pancreatic Function



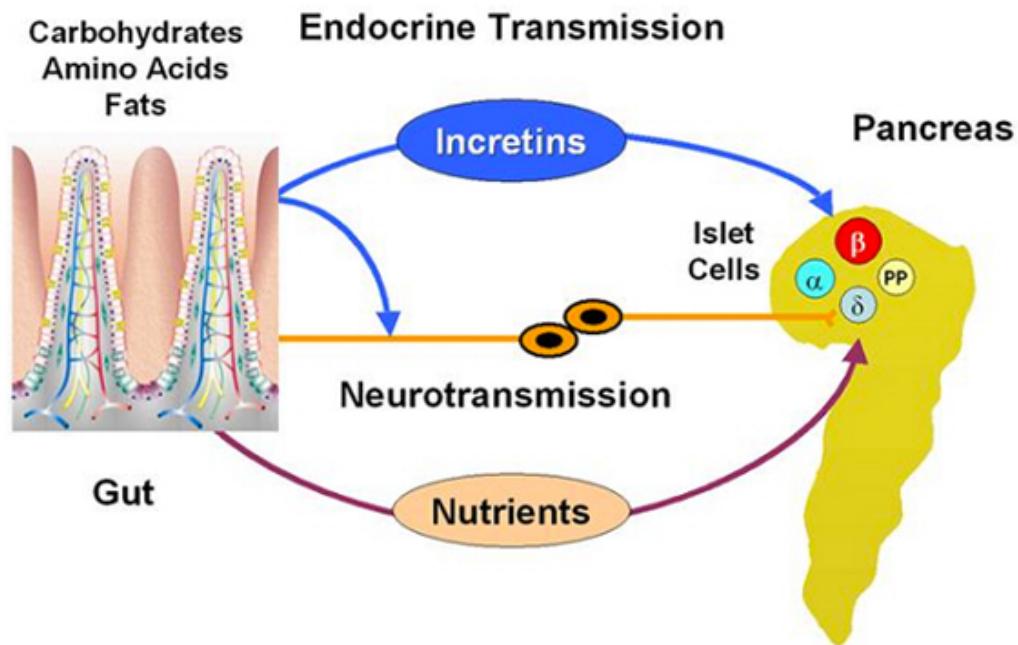
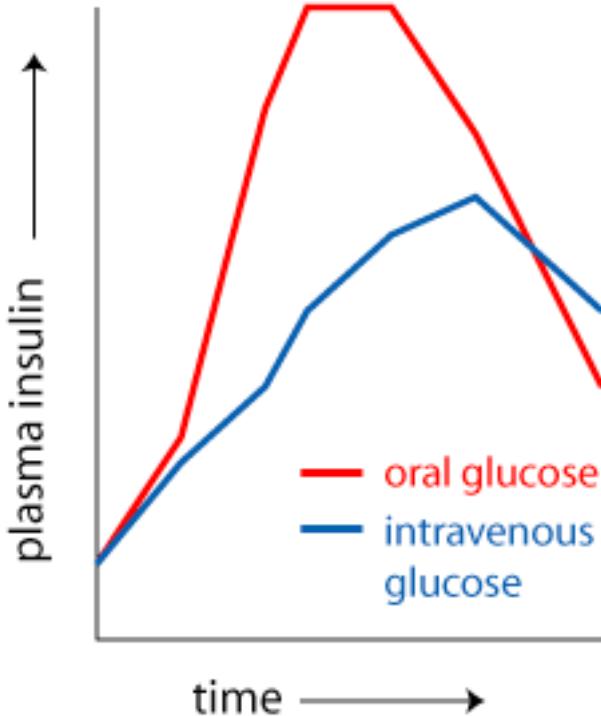
More Glucagon  
Less Insulin

More Insulin  
Less Glucagon

A tumor secretes adrenaline constantly, what are the effects

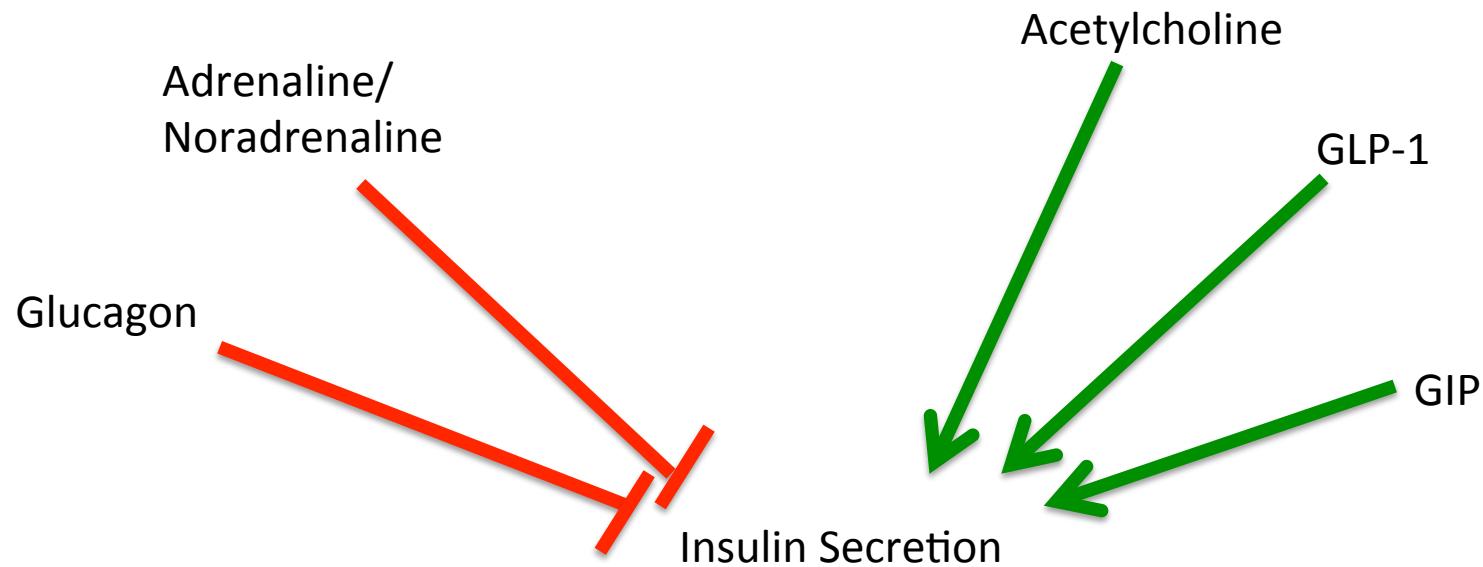
- A. More insulin
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# Incretins and Secondary Control of Insulin Secretion



GLP1/GIP1 both released from gut

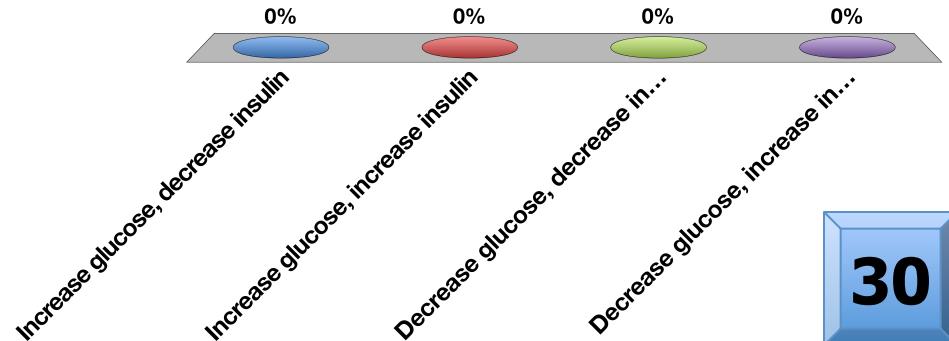
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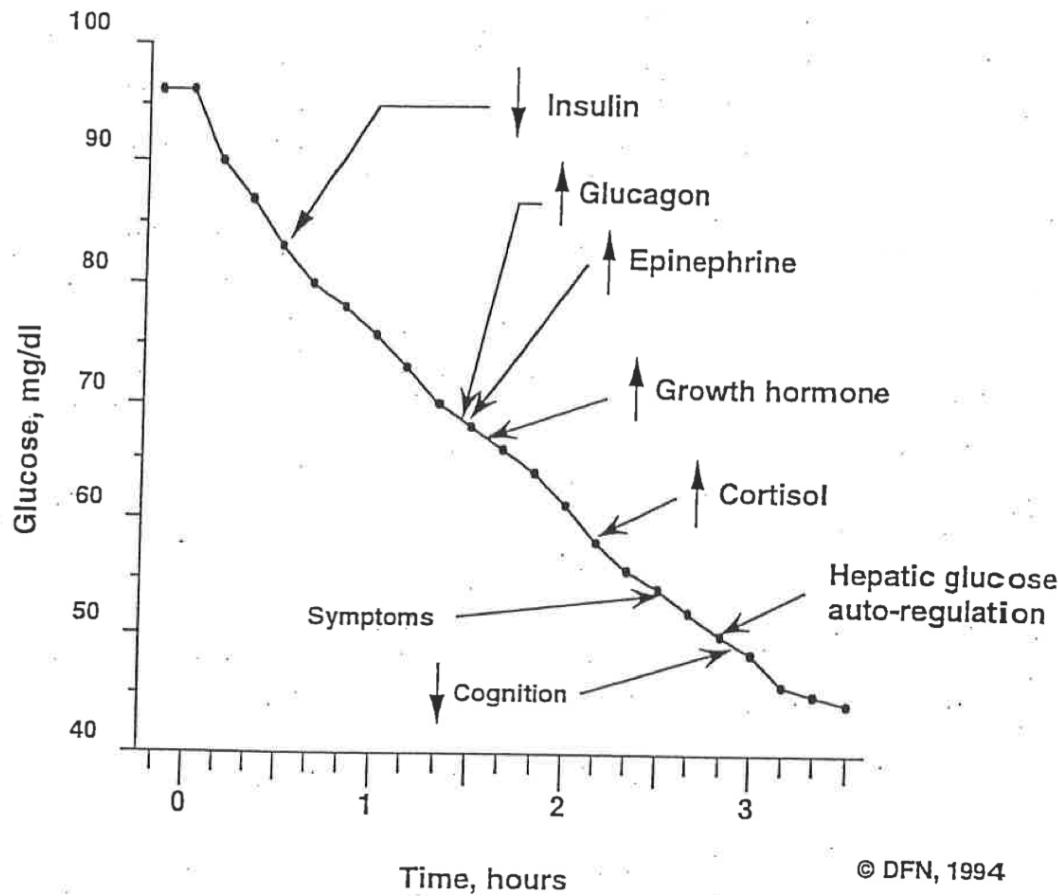
# DPP-4 Degrades GLP-1 and GIP, What would it do to insulin and blood glucose?

- A. Increase glucose,  
decrease insulin
- B. Increase glucose,  
increase insulin
- C. Decrease glucose,  
decrease insulin
- D. Decrease glucose,  
increase insulin

Response  
Counter



# Long Term Glucoregulation



Adapted from: P.E. Cryer, et al., in  
Am. J. Physiol. 264: E149, 1993 and  
J. Clin. Endo. Metab. 76: 462, 1993.

# Oral glucose tolerance test

- Draw what happens to glucose after a meal over time
- Sketch out changes in glucagon, insulin and GLP-1
- Sketch out a new one, for someone who is a type I diabetic (show insulin and GLP-1)
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