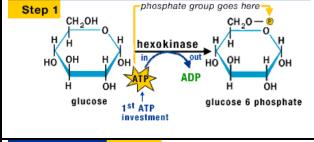
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Glycolysis: The Initial Steps: Energy Input

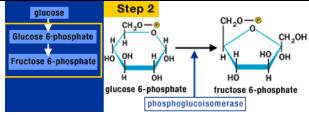
## >> Key Concepts:

- In the process of **glycolysis**, **glucose**, a six-carbon molecule, is split into two **pyruvates** (three-carbon molecules).
- The first stage of glycolysis involves an energy investment of two ATP.
- When studying metabolic pathways, pay attention to the name of the enzyme and what the enzyme did.

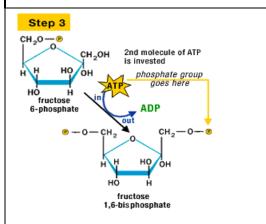


## **Glycolysis: The Energy Investment**

**Step 1**: Glucose is phosphorylated by the enzyme hexokinase to form glucose 6-phosphate. Glucose gains energy by being phosphorylated at the expense of one **ATP**.

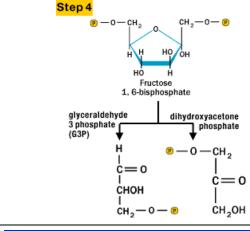


**Step 2**: Glucose 6-phosphate is converted into its isomer, fructose 6-phosphate, by an isomerase enzyme. By converting into its isomer, the molecule is further energized.

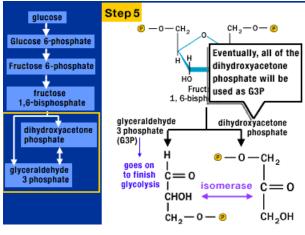


**Step 3**: Fructose 6-phosphate is phosphorylated by the enzyme phosphofructokinase to form fructose 1,6-bisphosphate. This step adds even more energy to the molecule at the expense of one ATP.

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**Step 4**: Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate is split into two molecules, dihydroxyacetone phosphate and glyceraldehyde phosphate.



**Step 5**: Dihydroxyacetone phosphate is converted into glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate. This reaction runs in both directions, but because the glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate is converted further in glycolysis, the equilibrium favors the formation of glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate.

Glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate goes on to the next phase of glycolysis, the energy payoff phase.