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## Chapter 20: The Electron Transport Chain

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# Overview of oxidative phosphorylation

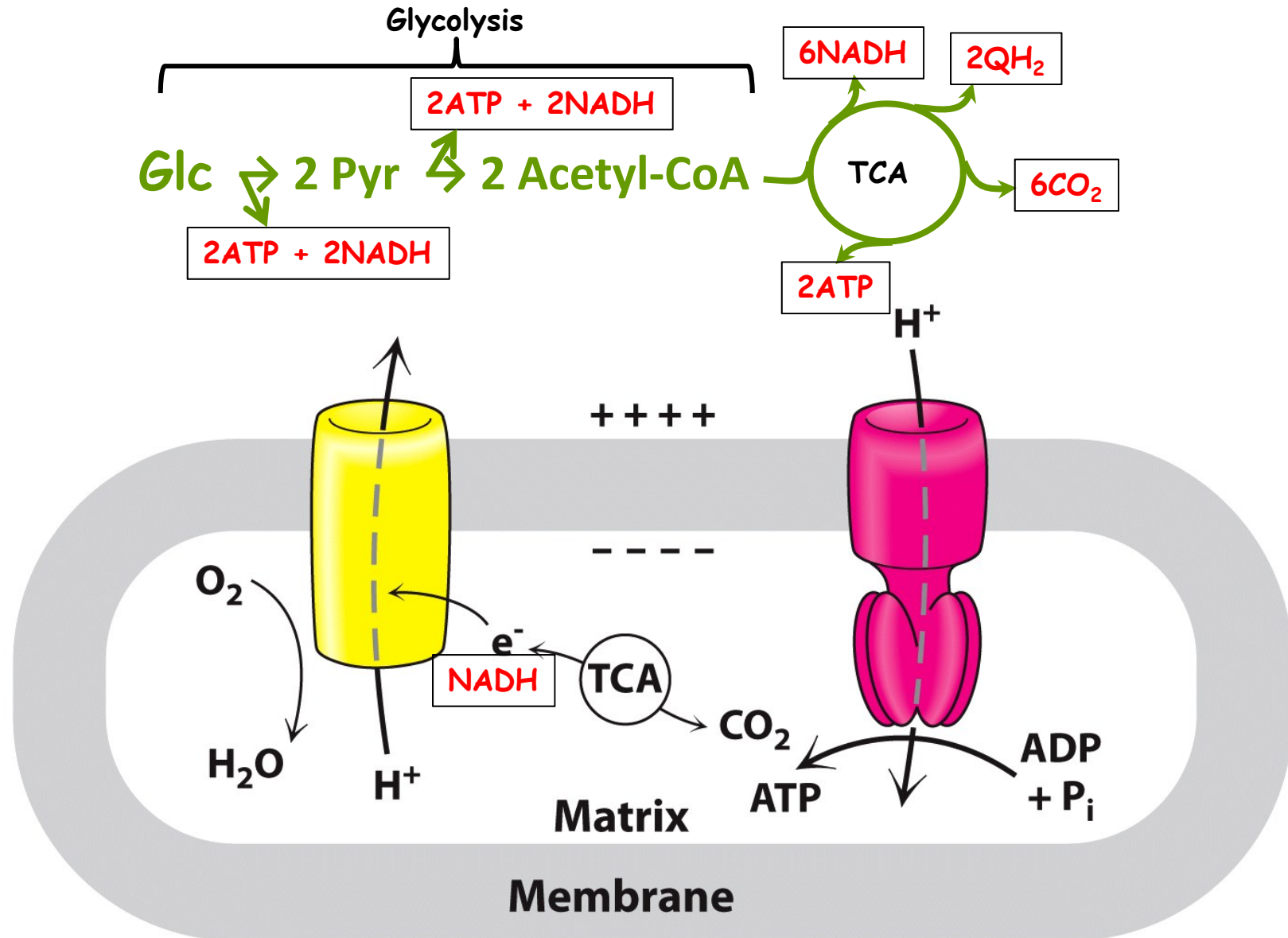
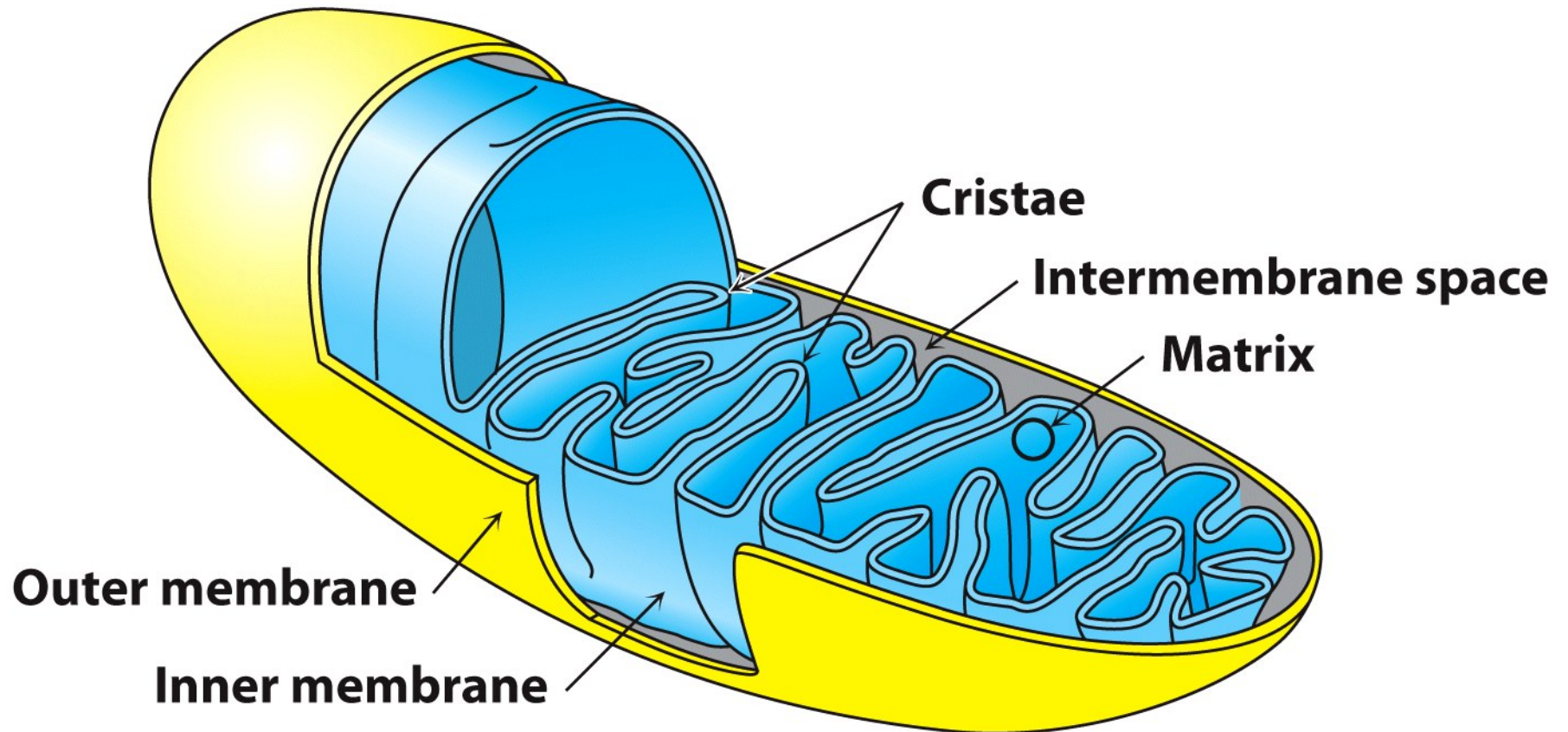


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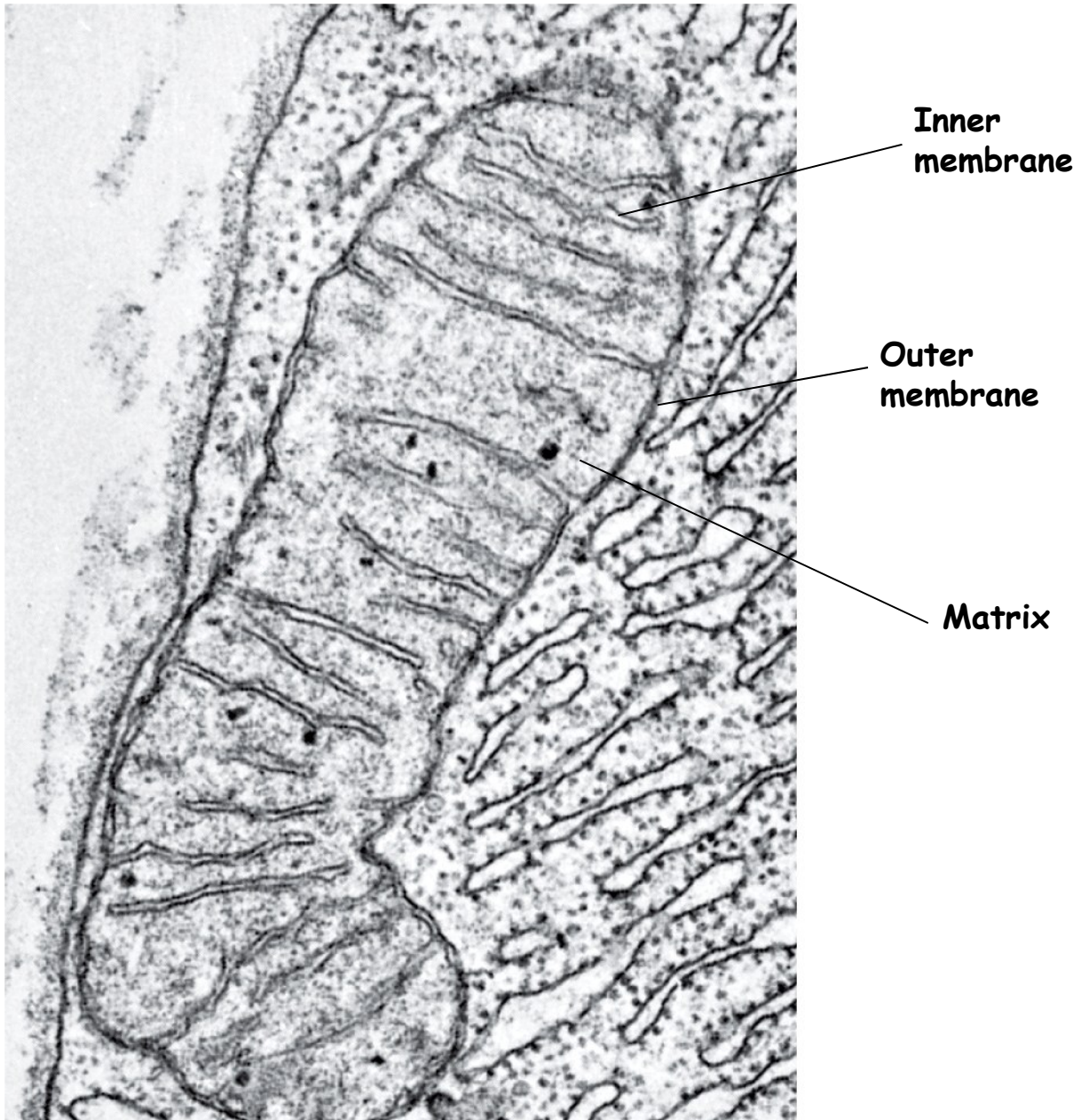
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## 20.1 OxPhos Takes Place in The Mitochondrion



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**Figure 20.2a**  
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## 20.2 OxPhos Depends on e<sup>-</sup> Transfer

- **Protonmotive force** is the energy created by the proton concentration gradient formed across the mitochondria inner membrane.
- **H<sup>+</sup> flow forms a circuit (similar to an electrical circuit).**

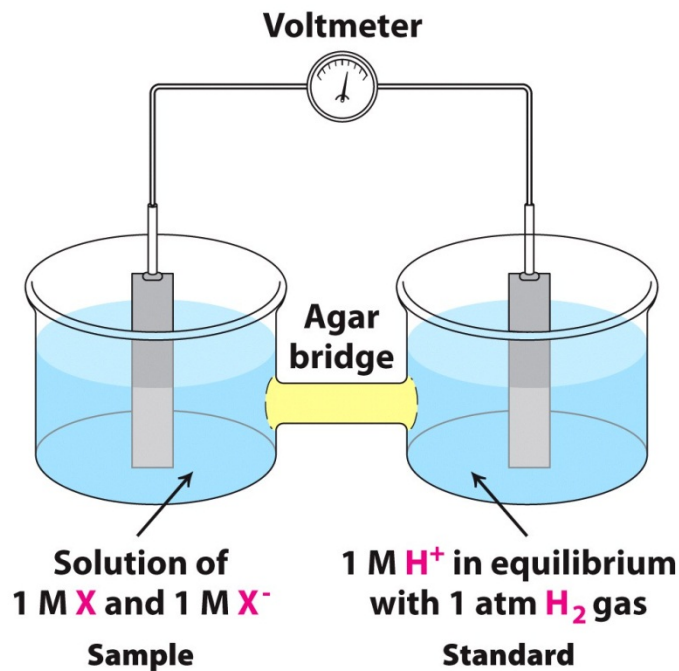
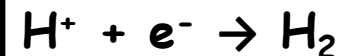
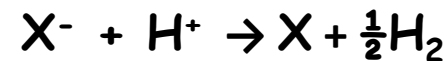


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Energy Potential Across Membrane is Formed by a Proton Gradient

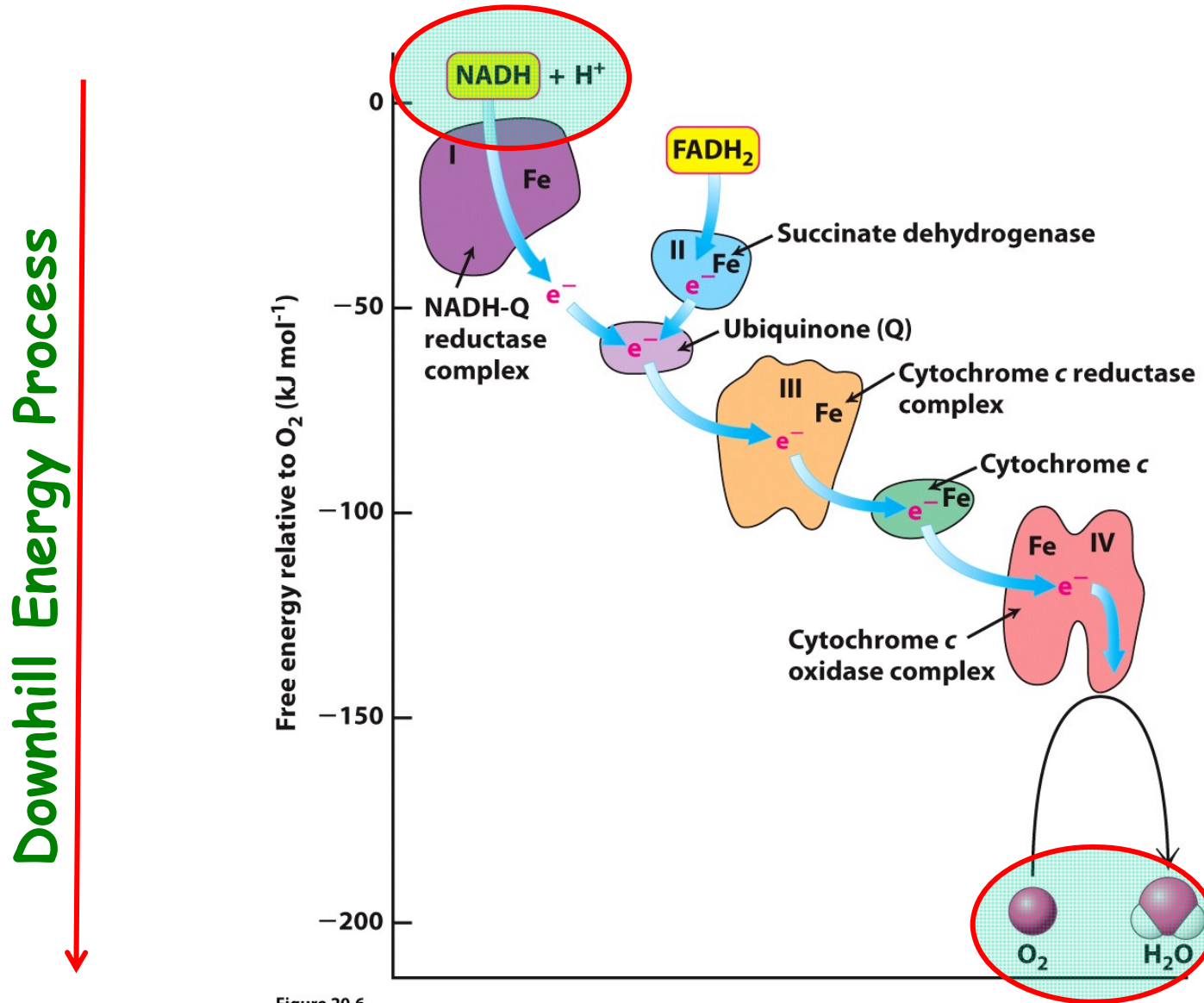


$$\Delta G^{\circ'} = -nF\Delta E'_0$$

n = number of electrons translocated; 2

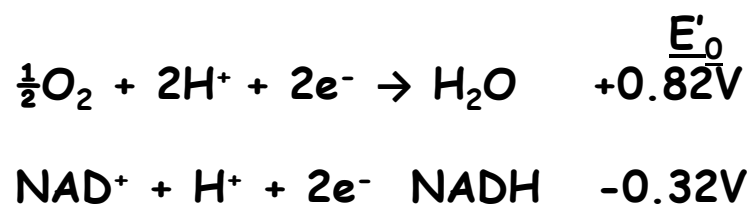
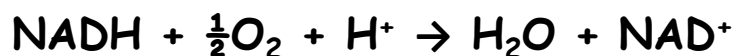
F = Faraday's Constant, 96.48 kJ/mol/V, or 23.06 kcal/mol/V

# $e^-$ Transport Chain Components and Energetics



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# Overall Net Reaction



**Table 20.1** Standard reduction potentials of some reactions

Oxidant	Reductant	<i>n</i>	<i>E'</i> <sub>0</sub> (V)
Succinate + CO <sub>2</sub>	α-Ketoglutarate	2	-0.67
Acetate	Acetaldehyde	2	-0.60
Ferredoxin (oxidized)	Ferredoxin (reduced)	1	-0.43
2 H <sup>+</sup>	H <sub>2</sub>	2	-0.42
NAD <sup>+</sup>	NADH + H <sup>+</sup>	2	-0.32
NADP <sup>+</sup>	NADPH + H <sup>+</sup>	2	-0.32
Lipoate (oxidized)	Lipoate (reduced)	2	-0.29
Glutathione (oxidized)	Glutathione (reduced)	2	-0.23
FAD	FADH <sub>2</sub>	2	-0.22
Acetaldehyde	Ethanol	2	-0.20
Pyruvate	Lactate	2	-0.19
2 H <sup>+</sup>	H <sub>2</sub>	2	0.00 <sup>1</sup>
Cytochrome <i>b</i> (+3)	Cytochrome <i>b</i> (+2)	1	+0.07
Dehydroascorbate	Ascorbate	2	+0.08
Ubiquinone (oxidized)	Ubiquinone (reduced)	2	+0.10
Cytochrome <i>c</i> (+3)	Cytochrome <i>c</i> (+2)	1	+0.22
Fe (+3)	Fe (+2)	1	+0.77
$\frac{1}{2}\text{O}_2 + 2\text{H}^+$	H <sub>2</sub> O	2	+0.82

$$\Delta G^{\circ} = -nF\Delta E'_0$$

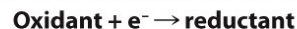
$$= -2(96.48 \text{ Kj/mol/V})$$

$$(0.82\text{V} - (-0.32\text{V}))$$

$$= -2(96.48\text{Kj/mol/V})(1.14\text{V})$$

$$= -220\text{Kj/mol} = 52.6\text{kcal/mol}$$

Note: *E'*<sub>0</sub> is the standard oxidation–reduction potential (pH 7, 25°C, except where noted) and *n* is the number of electrons transferred. *E'*<sub>0</sub> refers to the partial reaction written as



<sup>1</sup>Standard oxidation–reduction potential at pH = 0.

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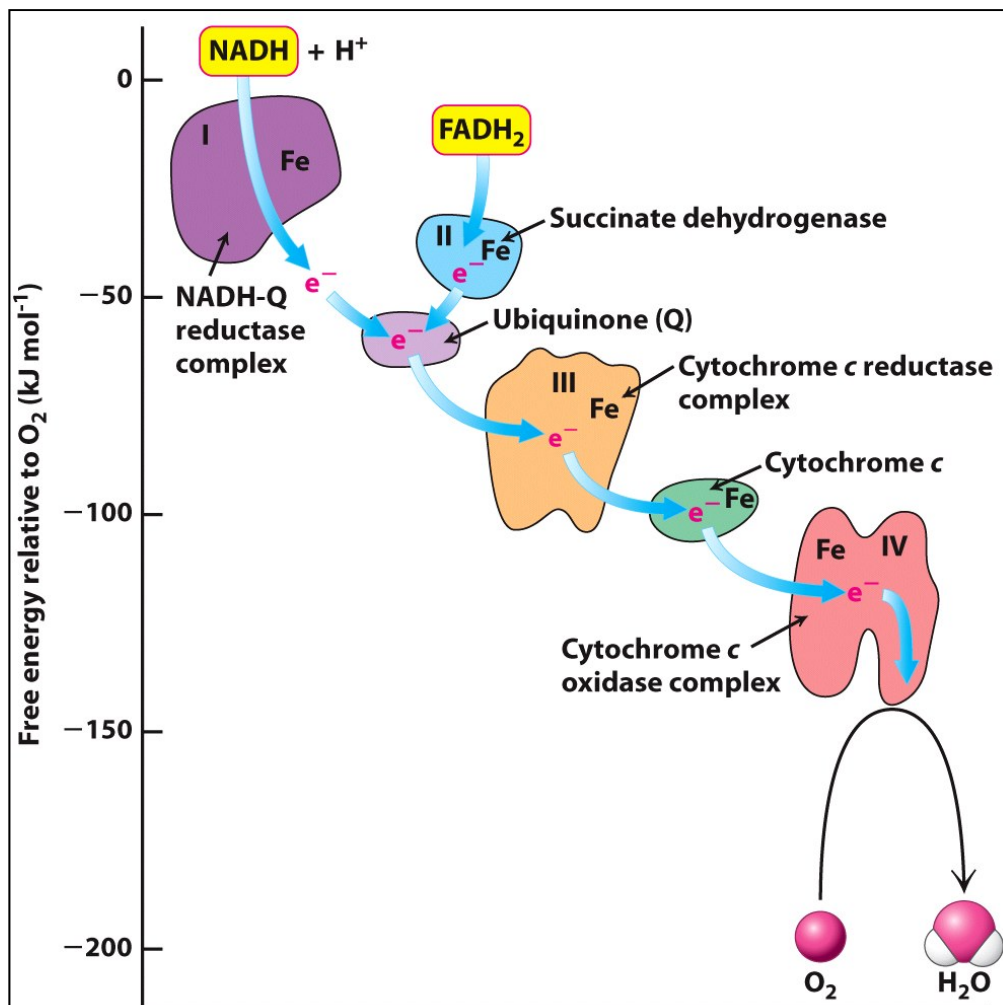
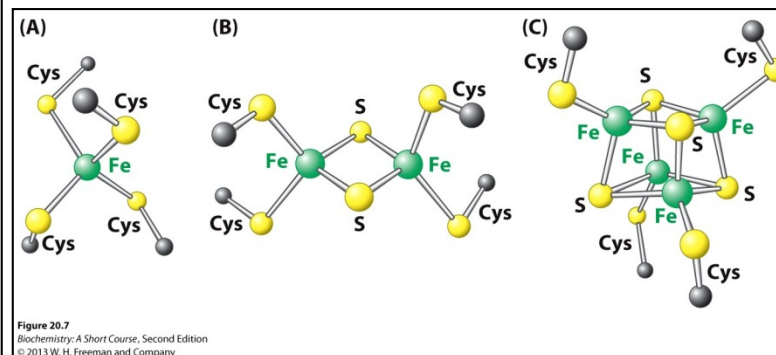
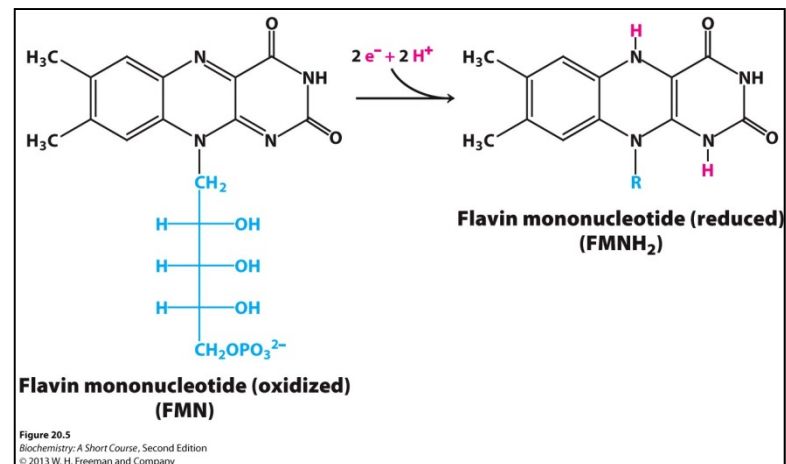
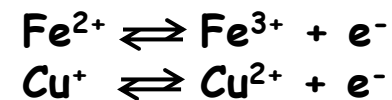


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Iron-sulfur proteins: non-heme, different chemical environments = different electrochemical potentials





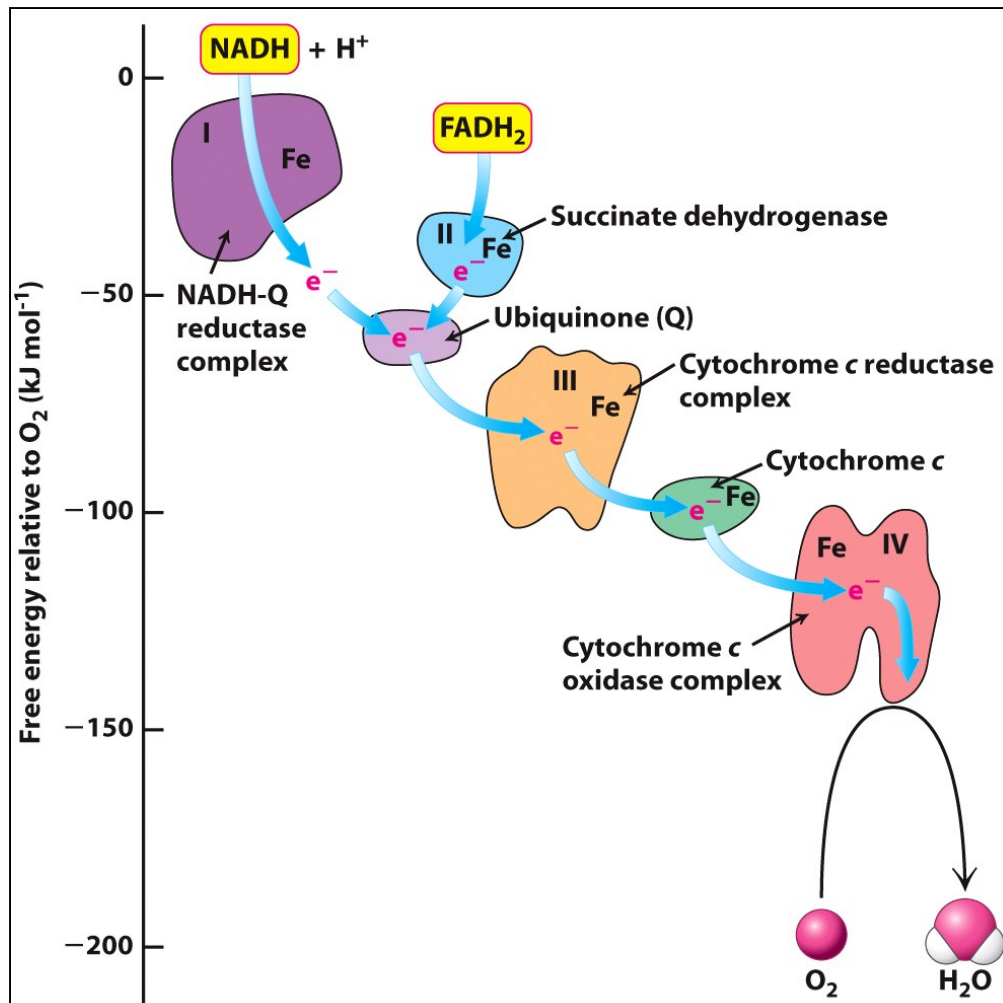


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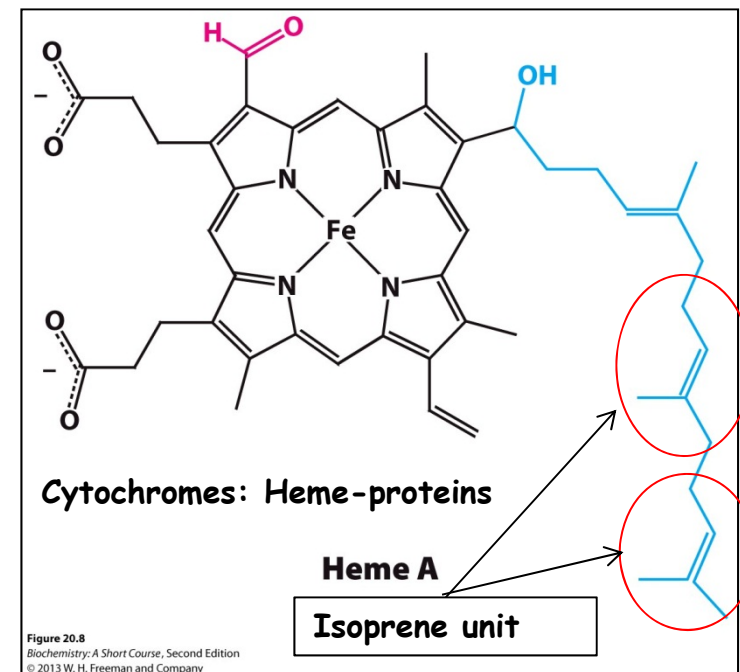


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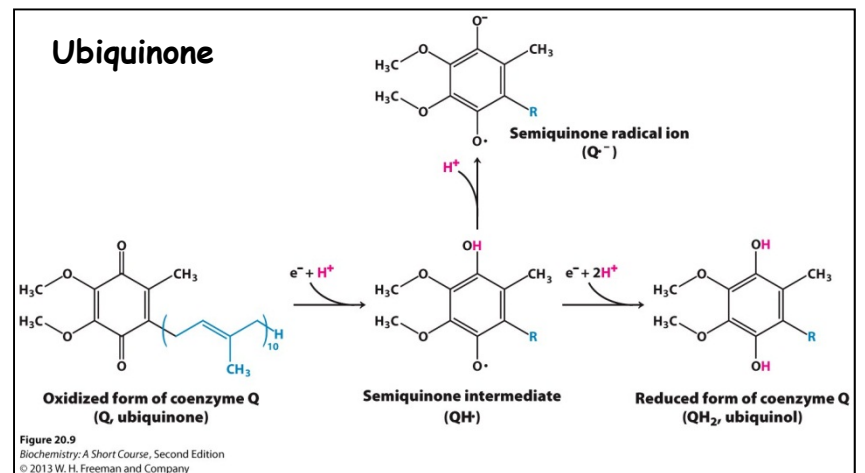


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# 20.3 ETC, Proton Pumps & Citric Acid Cycle

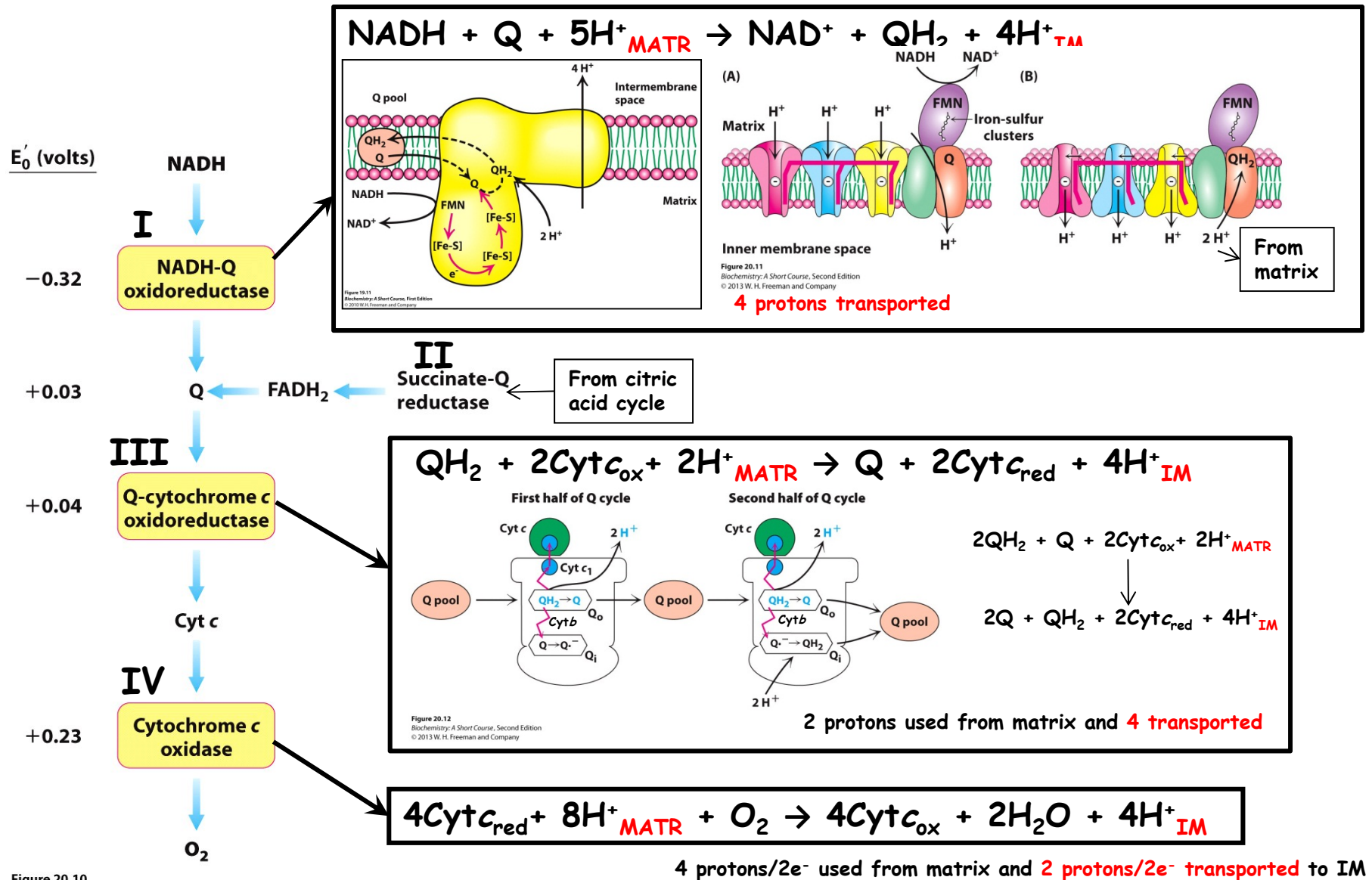
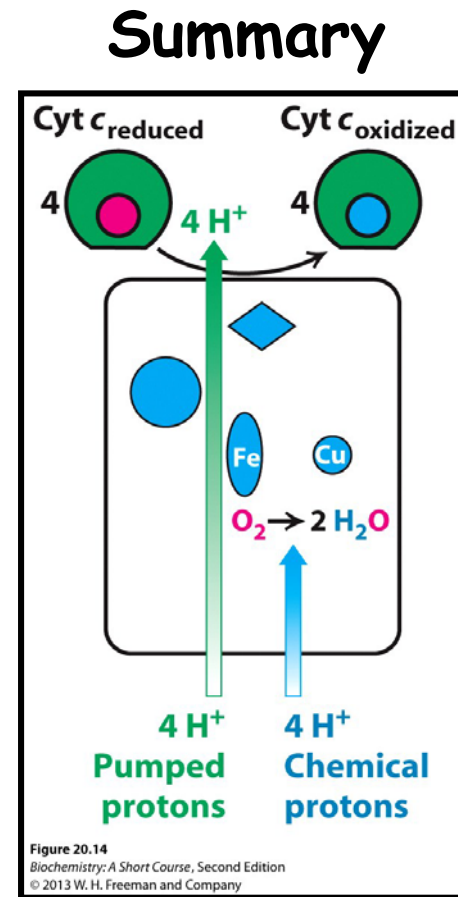
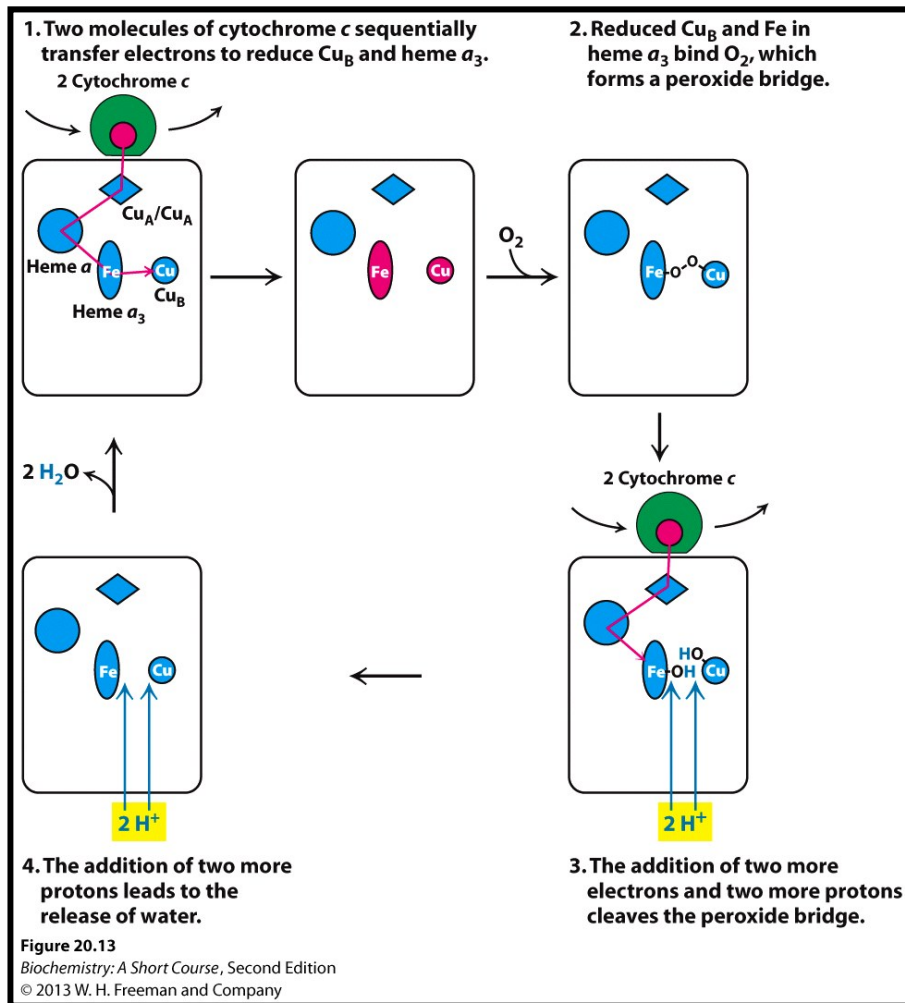


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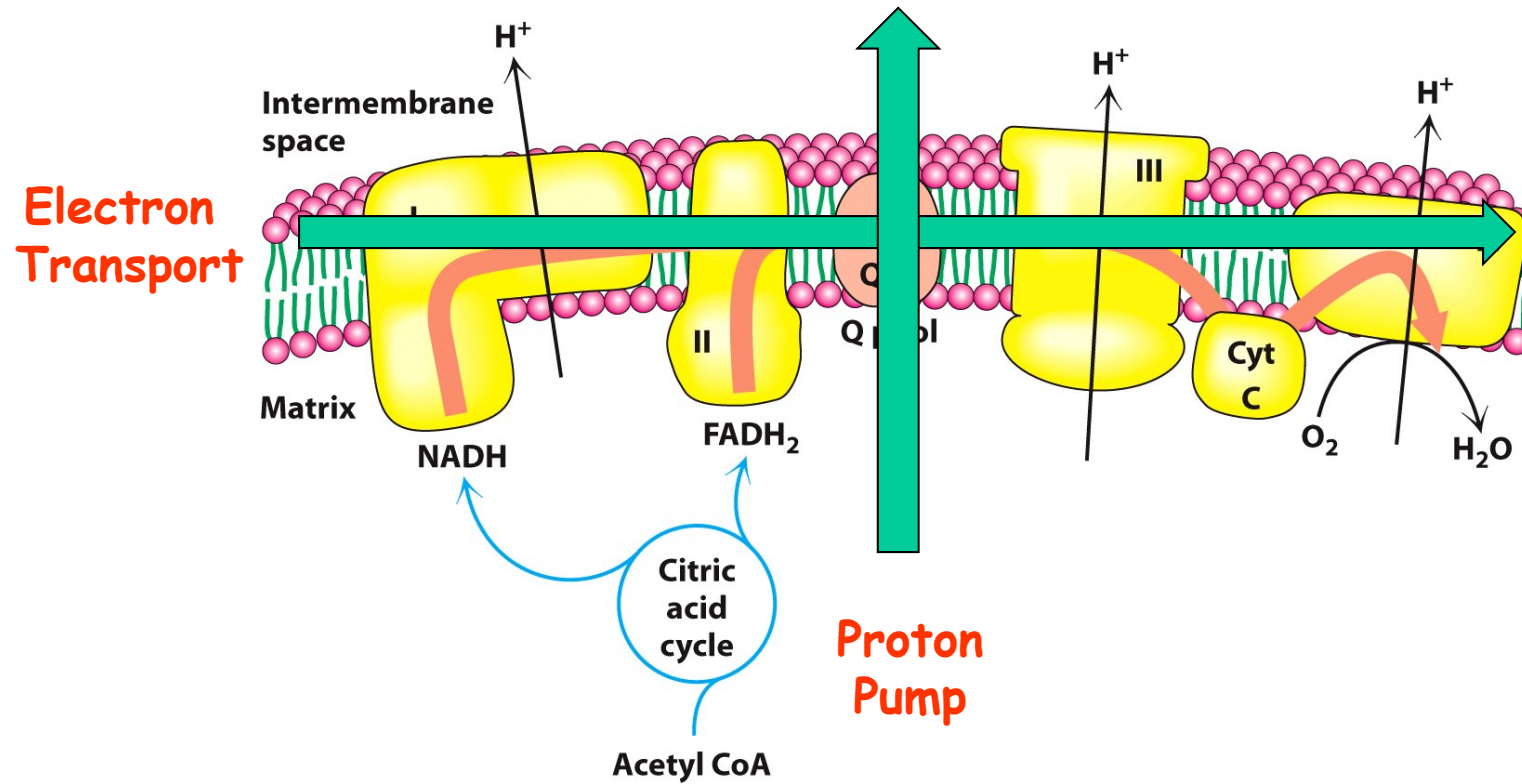
$$\Delta G^{\circ} = -nF\Delta E^{\circ}_0 = -231.8 \text{ kJ/mol}$$



$$\Delta G^{\circ} = -nF\Delta E^{\circ}_0 = -4(96.48 \text{ kJ/mol/V})(0.82\text{V}) = -316.45 \text{ kJ/mol}.$$

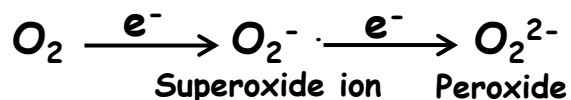
Cytc oxidase uses extra energy to transport 4 protons to IM

# Overall Summary of ETC

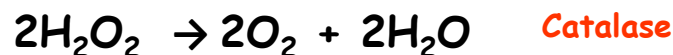
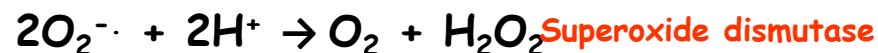


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# ETC Leads to Toxic Reactive Oxygen Species (ROS)



Reacts with and damages:  
Proteins, nucleotide bases,  
membranes, etc.



**Antioxidants: vitamin E, C, ubiquinol, etc.**

**ROS: Signal Transduction, Channels, TSs,  
etc., pathogen defense**

**Table 20.3** Pathological and other conditions that may be due to free-radical injury

Atherogenesis	Acute renal failure
Emphysema; bronchitis	Down syndrome
Parkinson disease	Retrolental fibroplasia (conversion of the retina into a fibrous mass in premature infants)
Duchenne muscular dystrophy	Cerebrovascular disorders
Cervical cancer	Ischemia; reperfusion injury
Alcoholic liver disease	
Diabetes	

**Source:** After D. B. Marks, A. D. Marks, and C. M. Smith, *Basic Medical Biochemistry: A Clinical Approach* (Williams & Wilkins, 1996), p. 331.

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