



# GLUCOSE

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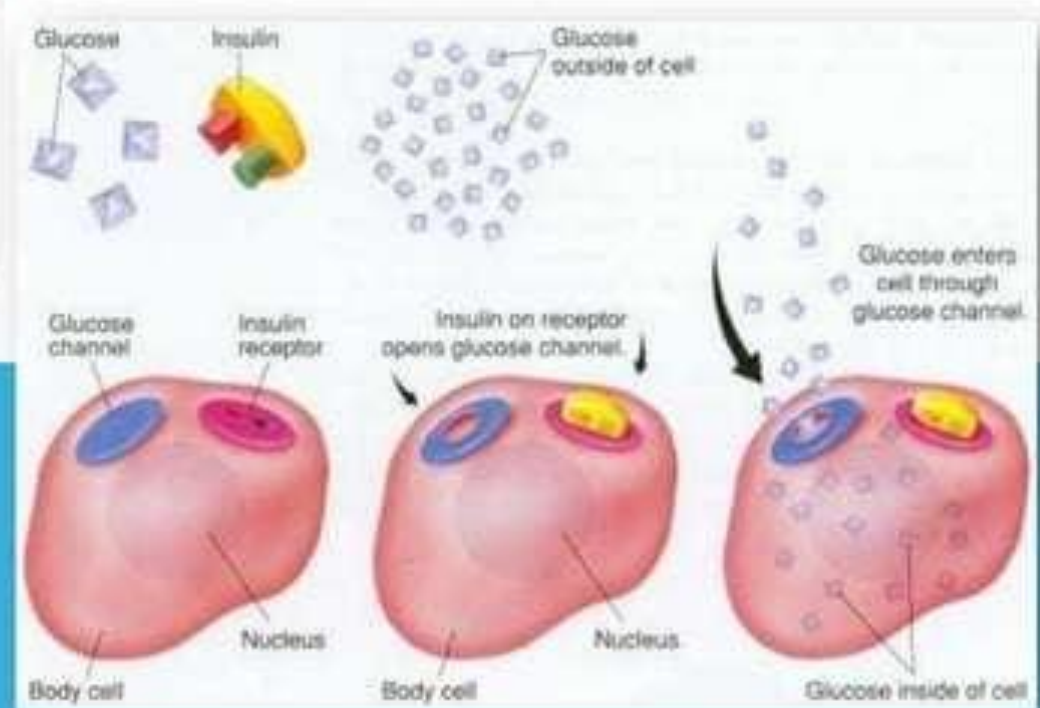
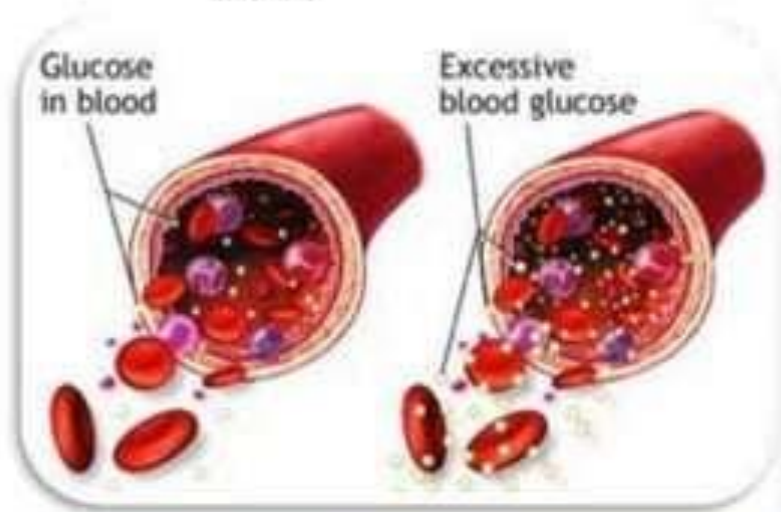
# DEFINITION:

- monosaccharide (1 of 3 dietary monosaccharide)
- main type of sugar in the blood (GLUCOSE = DEXTROSE)
- major source of energy for the body's cells (Glycolysis)
- comes from the foods we eat or the body can make it from other substances (Gluconeogenesis)



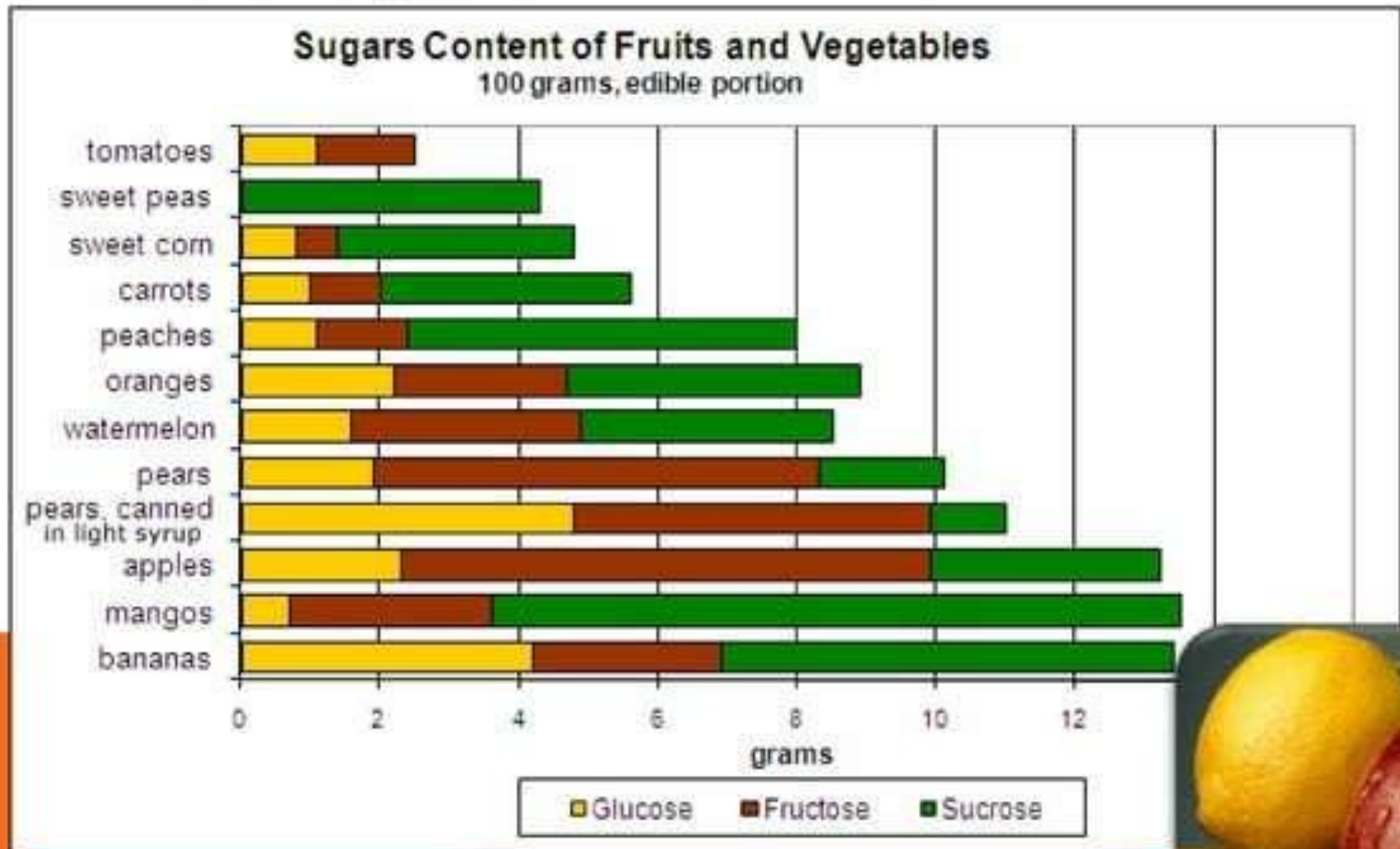
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- carried to the cells through the bloodstream.
- Several hormones, including insulin, control glucose levels in the blood



# COMPOSITION IN FOOD:

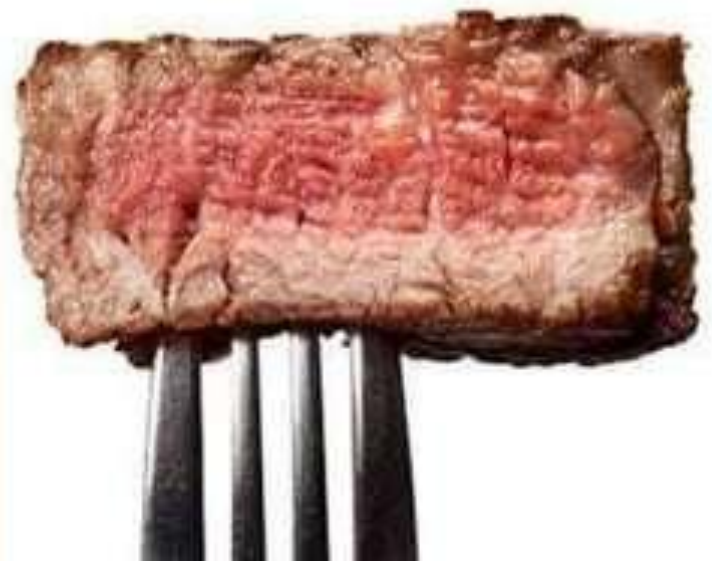
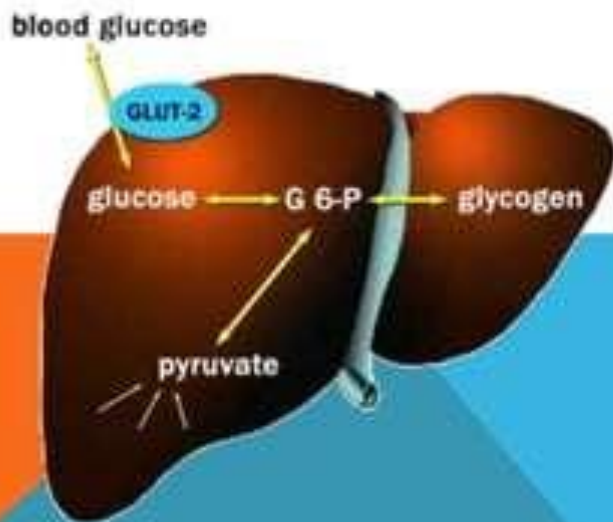
- Fruit and Vegetables



# COMPOSITION IN FOOD:

- **Meat Products**

- ❑ are good sources of glucose (Group Health Research Institute)
- ❑ meat is a protein
- ❑ human body can convert some proteins into glucose (proteins like peanut butter, fish and cheese can be converted into glucose)
- ❑ proteins have little effect on blood sugar levels (glucose from the protein is stored in the liver)



# COMPOSITION IN FOOD:

- **Fats**

- ❑ Butter is a fat-based food
- ❑ contains a small amount of glucose.
- ❑ the body converts 10 % of the fats consumed into glucose (Group Health Research Institute)
- ❑ fats consumption results to a gradual increase in blood sugar (the body convert fats into glucose at a slow rate
- ❑ other fats that are converted into glucose are avocados, salad dressing and olive oil.



# COMPOSITION IN FOOD:

- **Grains**

- starches or complex carbohydrates:

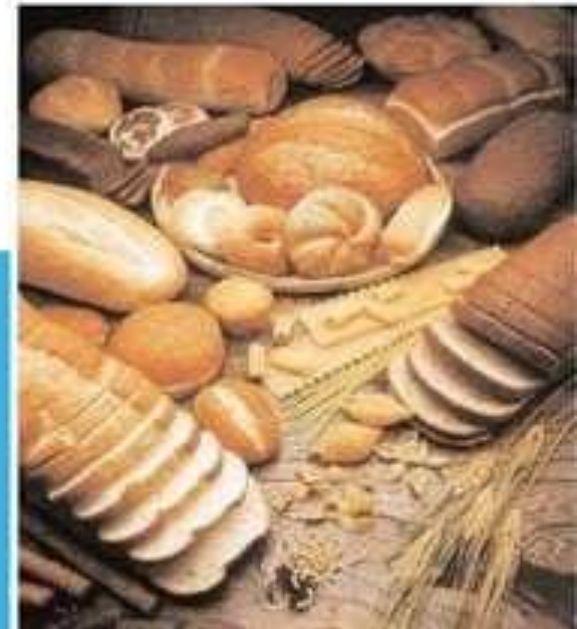
*rice, wheat, barley and oats*

- naturally contain glucose (American Diabetes Association).

- commercially processed grain products:

*breads, pastas, instant oatmeal, cereals, pastries and desserts*

- contain large amounts of glucose (addition of sweeteners as white sugar, brown sugar, and corn syrup)



# FUNCTIONS:

- Preference for Glucose in bodily functions:
  - ❑ lower tendency to react non-specifically with amino groups of proteins
  - ❑ results to low rate of Glycation (protein or lipid covalently bonds with a sugar)
    - Glycolipids
    - Glycoproteins
    - reduces or destroys function of many enzymes
    - \* Long term complications of diabetes (blindness, renal failure, etc.) are due to Glycation



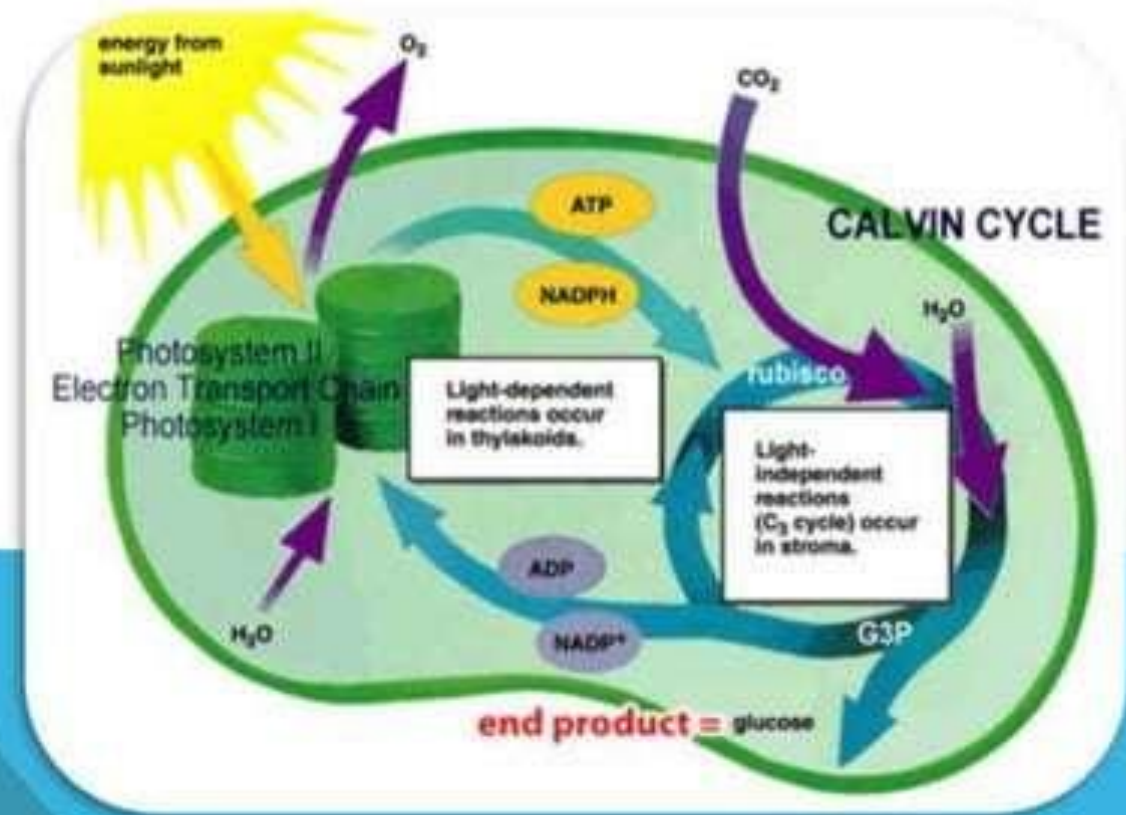
# FUNCTIONS:

- cells use it as the primary source of energy and a metabolic intermediate (from bacteria to humans)
- ❑ aerobic respiration (with  $O_2$ , in mitochondrion)
  - glycolysis (with or without  $O_2$ , glucose to pyruvate, in cytoplasm)
  - citric acid/Kreb's cycle (with  $O_2$ , Acetyl CoA broken down to  $CO_2$  and  $H_2O$  producing ATP)
- ❑ anaerobic respiration (without  $O_2$ , in cytoplasm)
- ❑ fermentation (without  $O_2$ , pyruvate to lactic acid, in cytoplasm)



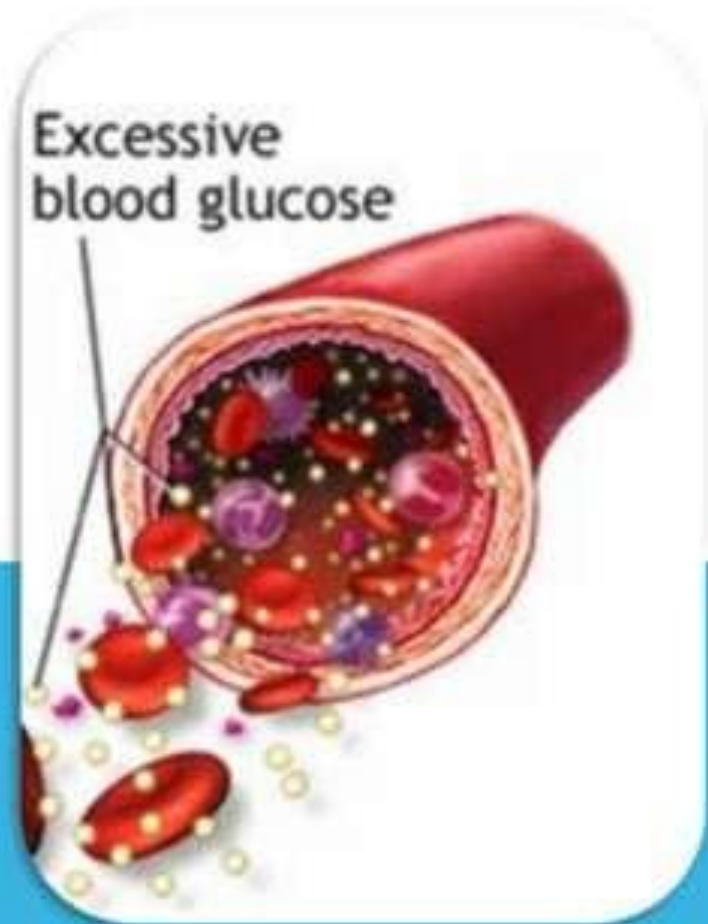
# FUNCTIONS:

- main products of photosynthesis and fuels for cellular respiration (plants)
- ☐ Light-independent or Calvin cycle



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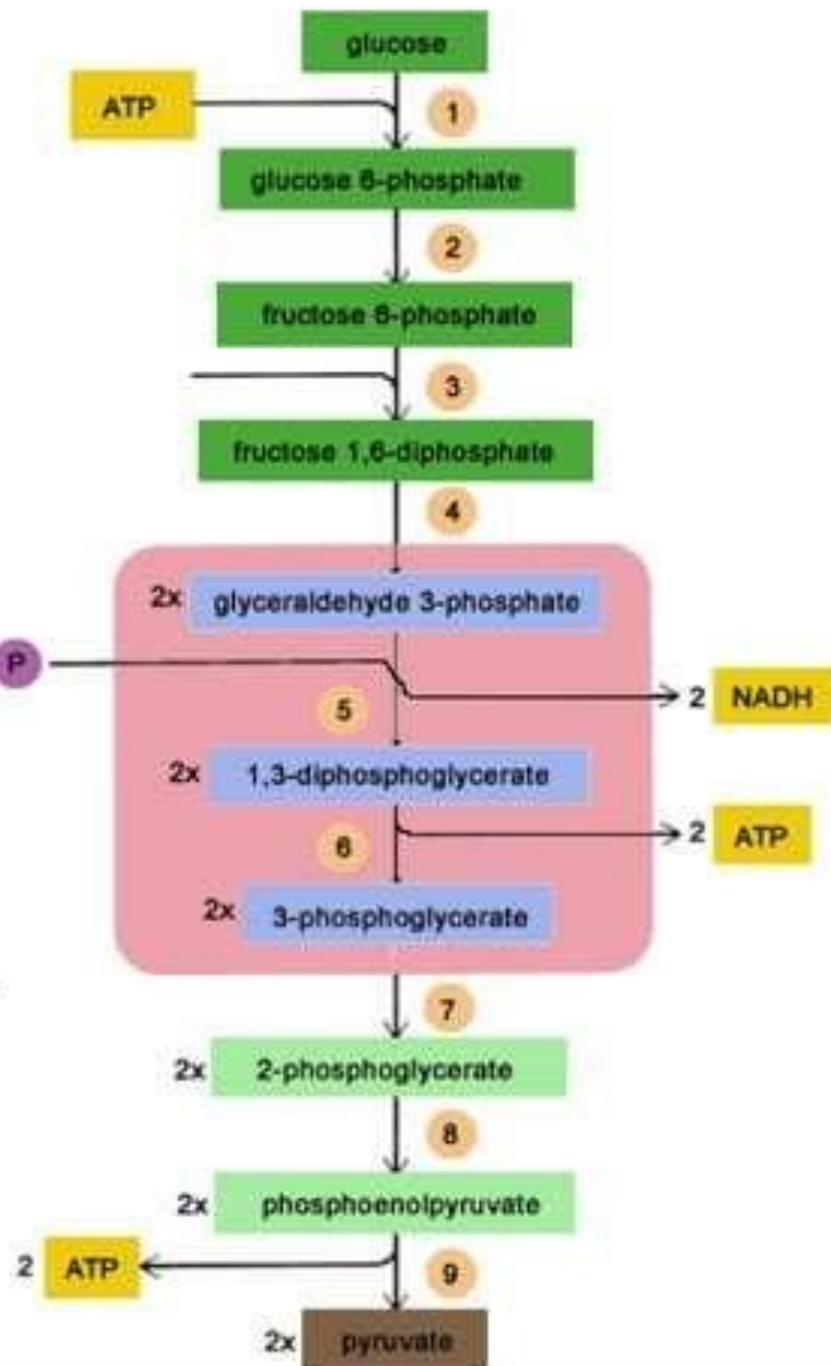
- Analyte in blood tests
- ❑ eating or fasting affects results
- ❑ high level of glucose may be due to prediabetes or diabetes mellitus



# FUNCTIONS:

- Glucose in Glycolysis

1. Phosphorylation of Glucose by ATP
2. Conversion to 5-carbon ring isomer
3. Phosphorylation 5-carbon ring isomer by ATP
4. Processing into two molecules by enzyme
5. Oxidation of the two molecules, losing protons and gaining phosphate groups; two  $\text{NAD}^+$  to  $\text{NADH}$
6. Phosphorylation of ADP yields two new molecules and two ATP
7. Moving of phosphate group to 2<sup>nd</sup> carbon
8. Dehydration of the two molecules into two high-energy molecules
9. Phosphorylation of two ADPs by high-energy molecules producing two more ATP and two pyruvate



# FUNCTIONS:

- As a precursor for synthesis of several important substances:
  - ❑ monomer
  - ❑ energy storage: starch and glycogen
  - ❑ structure: cellulose and chitin
  - ❑ oligosaccharides of glucose (fructose, galactose)
  - ❑ Glycosylation: glycoprotein and glycolipid
  - ❑ broken down to synthesize other molecules (lipids, amino acids, ascorbic acid)



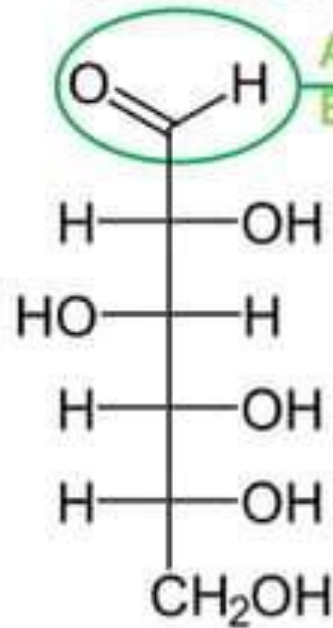
# FUNCTIONS:

- Industrial use
  - Vitamin C or ascorbic acid
  - Citric acid
  - Gluconic acid
  - Bio-ethanol
  - Polylactic acid
  - sorbitol

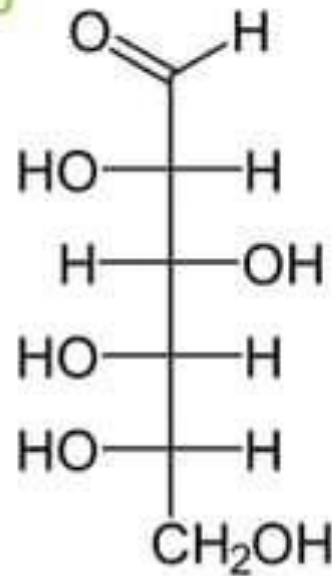


# STRUCTURE

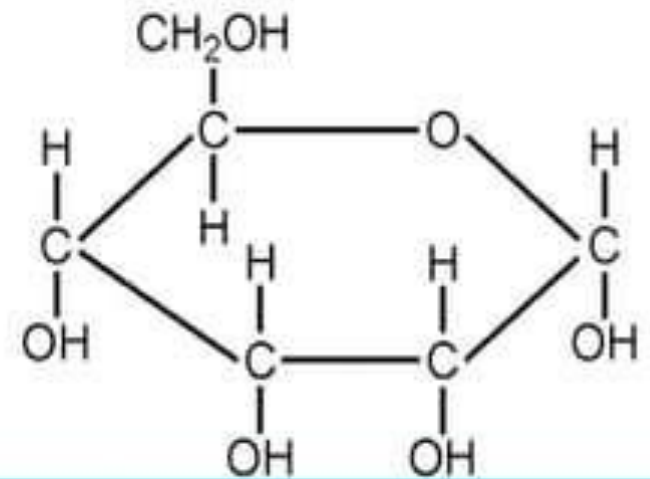
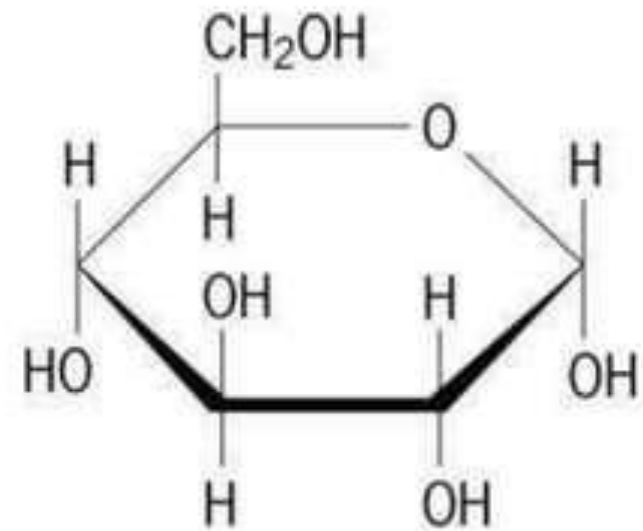
- Glucose isomers, all of  $C_6H_{12}O_6$



D-Glucose

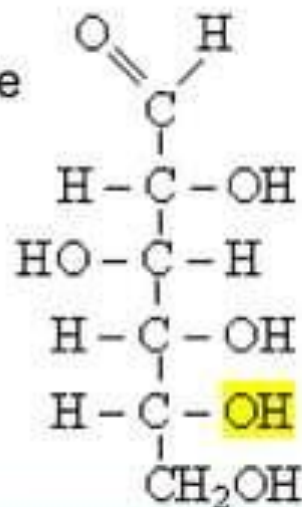


L-Glucose

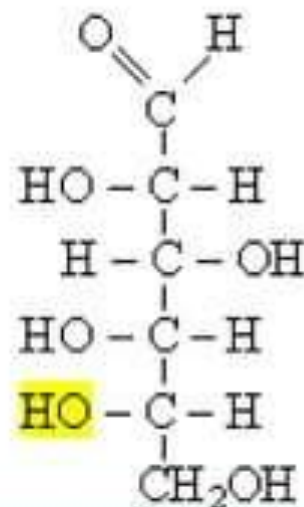


# NOMENCLATURE:

- Hexoses – 6 carbon + “-ose”
- Aldoses – aldehyde group at one end
- Stereoisomers - Dextrotation(D) and Levorotation(L) Conformations
- More than one chiral center, D and L conformation refers to asymmetric carbon farthest from the aldehyde group
- D - conformation most abundant in nature
- D and L are mirror images



D-glucose

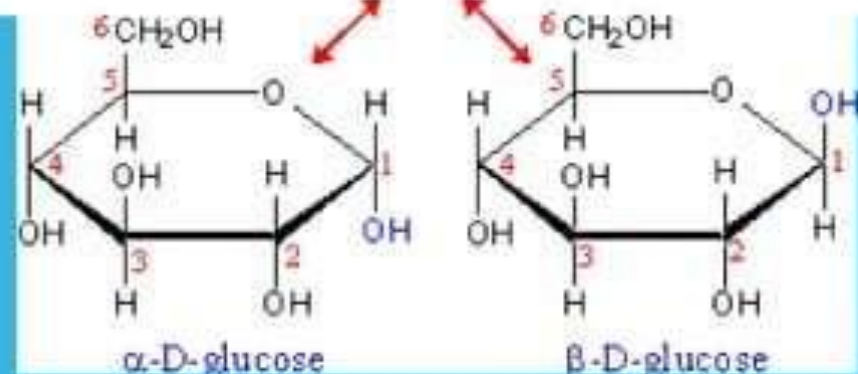
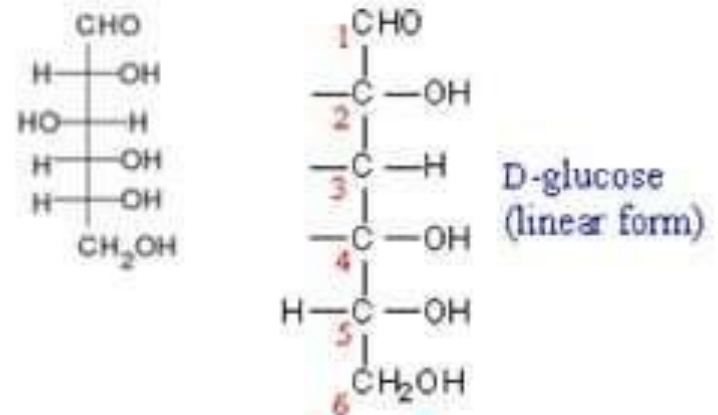
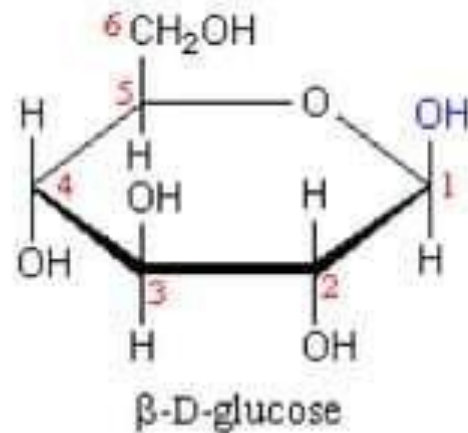
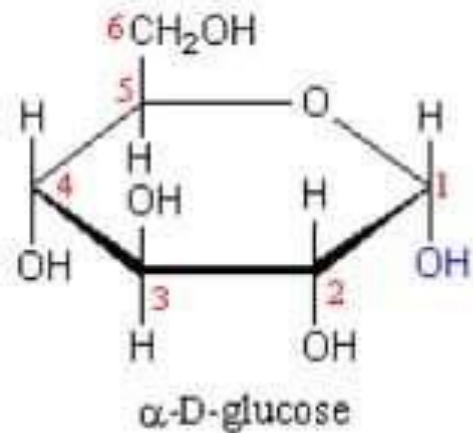


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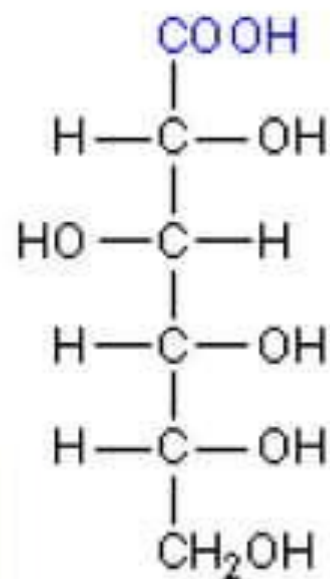
# NOMENCLATURE:

- Hexoses can cyclize, as the aldehyde or ketone group reacts with a -OH on one of the distal carbons.
- Cyclization of glucose produces a new asymmetric center at C1, with the two stereoisomers called anomers, a (below ring) & b (above ring)

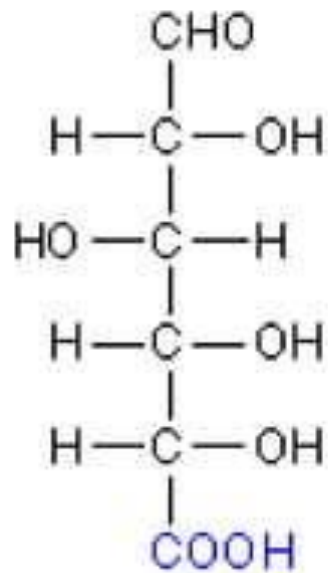


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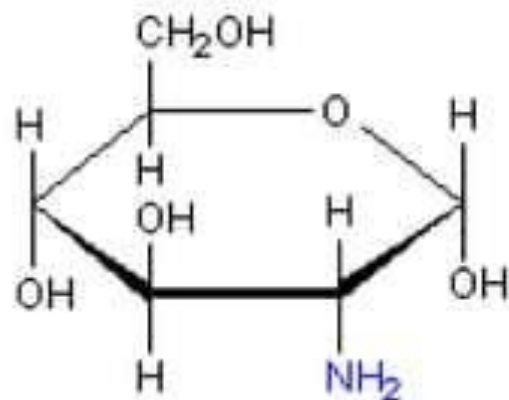
- Sugar acids – aldehyde or hydroxyl is oxidized to carboxylic acid  
ex. gluconic acid and glucuronic acid
- Amino sugar – amine group takes the place of one hydroxyl  
ex. glucosamine



D-gluconic acid



D-glucuronic acid



$\alpha$ -D-glucosamine

# PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

- Appearance – colorless solution, white powder
- crystallised from water solutions:  $\alpha$ -glucopyranose,  $\beta$ -glucopyranose, and  $\beta$ -glucopyranose hydrate
- Solubility – easily soluble in water (91 g/100 mL) , acetic acid, blood, and other solvents
- Optical activity – dextrorotatory, rotates polarized light clockwise
- Molar mass - 180.16 g/mol
- Melting point -  $\alpha$ -D-glucose: 146 °C ;  $\beta$ -D-glucose: 150 °C



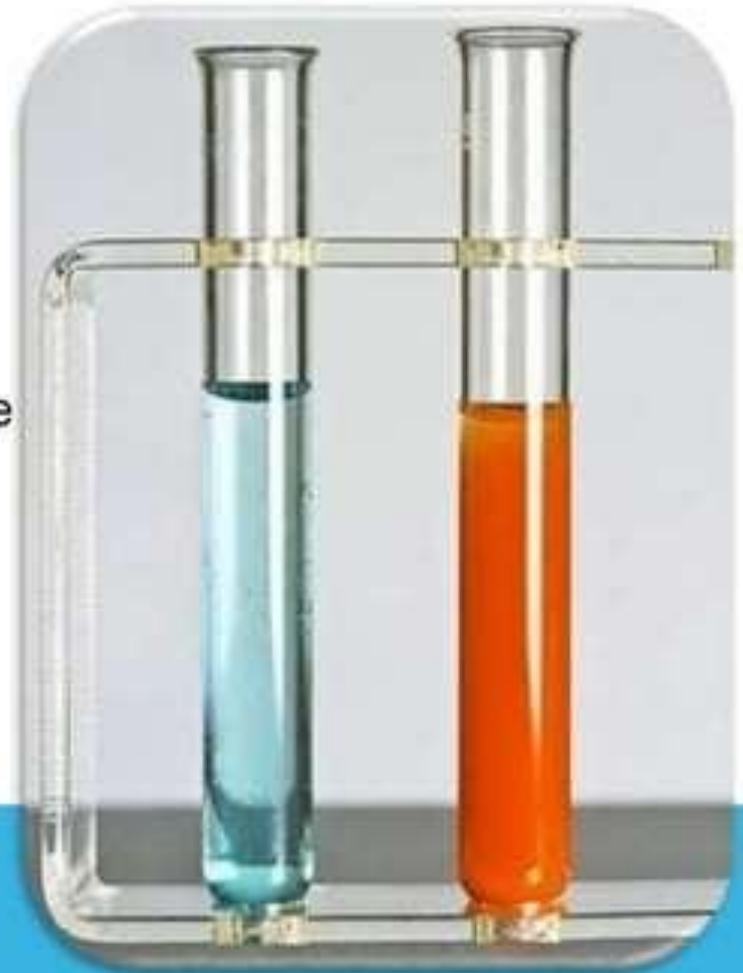
# CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:

- oxidized to yield energy(ATP) and water and CO<sub>2</sub>
- broken to produce lipids and amino acids
- violent reaction with Sodium peroxide and Potassium nitrate
- simple sugar – easily broken down by the body
- chemical stability - ring form
- regulated by insulin in the blood
- glycosylation – glucose added to lipids or proteins
- phosphorylated to reduce diffusion in cells
- glycogenolysis - breakdown on glycogen into glucose
- gluconeogenesis – non-carbohydrate into glucose

# SPECIFIC TEST

## Benedict's Test

- test for reducing sugars
- turns solution with glucose, red/orange



**THAT'S ALL.  
THANK YOU!**