Carbohydrates Metabolism

Review of Carbohydrates Digestion¹ and absorption² of carbohydrates

Suggested Readings:

- 1: Lippincot's Ilustrated reviews: Biochemistry
- 2: Marks' Basic Medical Biochemistry



Carbohydrates Metabolism

- Objectives
 - Utilization of Glucose \rightarrow Energy
 - − Non-Carbohydrates → Glucose
 - Storage of Glucose \rightarrow Glycogen
 - Release of Glucose from Glycogen
 - Reducing Power NADPH >> GSH
 - Glucuronic acid >> Drug metabolism
 - Interconversion of sugars

An Over-all Picture



Dietary Carbohydrates

- 40 50 % of caloric intact
- 60% of the carbohydrate starch
- Sucrose small amount of Fru , Glu , in fruits , honey , Veg.
- Lactose in milk
- No specific sugar is required
- All sugars are interconverted



Examples of monosaccharides found in human

Generic names

- 3 carbons: trioses
- 4 carbons: tetroses
- 5 carbons: pentoses
- 6 carbons: hexoses
- 7 carbons: heptoses
- 9 carbons: nonoses

Examples

- Glyceraldehyde
- Erythrose
- Ribose
- Glucose
- Sedoheptulose Neuraminic acid

Isomers Epimers are isomers:

Changing the orientation of one hydroxyl group will produce different sugar

СНО HO-C-H H-C-OH HO-C-H HO-C-H HO-C-H HO-C-H HO-C-H CHO -C-OH HO-C -OH H-C-OH CH₂OH L-Glucose D-Glucose

Glucose and Fructose are isomers

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HO-C-H O	≥но-с-н ∠	HO-C-H O
H-C-OH	H-C-OH	H-C-OH
H-C	H-C-OH	H-C
H-C-OH	H-C-OH	H-C-OH
Н	Н	Н
β-D-Gluco- pyranose	D-Glucose	α-D-Gluco- pyranose

Disaccharide: A sugar made of two sugar units joined by glycosidic bond

Maltose: a disaccharide made from two glucose units

Glycosidic bond is cleaved by glycosidase

Mucosal cell membrane-bound enzymes

ENZYME	Bond Cleaved	Substrates
Isomaltase	$\alpha 1 \rightarrow 6$	Isomaltose
Maltase	$\alpha 1 \rightarrow 4$	Maltose
Sucrase	$\alpha 1 \rightarrow 2$	Sucrose
Lactase	$\beta 1 \rightarrow 4$	Lactose
Trehalase	$\alpha 1 \rightarrow 1$	Trehalose
Exoglucosidase	$\alpha 1 \rightarrow 4$	Glucoamylose

Sucrase + isomaltase

FIG. 27.5. The major portion of the sucrase–isomaltase complex, containing the catalytic sites, protrudes from the absorptive cells into the lumen of the intestine. Other domains of the protein form a connecting segment (stalk) and an anchoring segment that extends through the membrane into the cell. The complex is synthesized as a single polypeptide chain that is split into its two enzyme subunits extracellularly. Each subunit is a domain with a catalytic site (distinct sucrase–maltase and isomaltase–maltase sites). In spite of their maltase activity, these catalytic sites are often called just *sucrase* and *isomaltase*.

Maltase + exoglucosidase (glucoamylase , α-1,4 in limit dextrins) No split

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Abnormal Degradation of disaccharides

- Lactase deficiency:
- ¹/₂ world's population
- 90% of African and Asian Adults
- Sucrase isomaltase deficiency:
- 10% of Askimos; 2% NorthEuropean are heterozygotes
- Causes:
 - Genetics
 - Variety of intestinal diseases
 - Malnutrition
 - Injury of mucosa ie by drugs
 - Severe diarrhea

Maximal activity @ 1 month of age **Adult Hypolactasia** (lactase deficiency) Declines ----- >> adult level at 5 to 7 year of age

10 % of infant level

1 cup of milk (9 grams of lactoses) \rightarrow loss of 1 liter of extracellular fluid

Absorption of Sugars Polar molecules can not diffuse A: Na⁺-independent facilitated diffusion transport

GLUT 1-----GLUT 14

Glc. Movement follows concentration gradient

Two conformation states

Na⁺ monosaccharide cotransporter system (SGLT)

- * Against concentration gradient.
- * Small intestine: Active uptake from lumen of intestine.
- * Kidney: reabsorption of glucose in proximal tubule.

Na⁺ monosaccharide cotransporter system (SGLT)

Table 27.5 Properties of the GLUT 1 to GLUT 5 Isoforms of the Glucose Transport Proteins

Transporter	Tissue Distribution	Comments
GLUT 1	Human erythrocyte Blood-brain barrier Blood-retinal barrier Blood-placental barrier Blood-testis barrier	Expressed in cell types with barrier functions; a high-affinity glucose transport system
GLUT 2	Liver Kidney Pancreatic β-cell Serosal surface of intestinal mucosa cells	A high-capacity, low-affinity transporter May be used as the glucose sensor in the pancreas
GLUT 3	Brain (neurons)	Major transporter in the central nervous system; a high-affinity system
GLUT 4	Adipose tissue Skeletal muscle Heart muscle	Insulin-sensitive transporter. In the presence of insulin, the number of GLUT 4 transporters increases on the cell surface; a high-affinity system
GLUT 5	Intestinal epithelium Spermatozoa	This is actually a fructose transporter
GLUT 7	Glucogenic tissues	at endoplasmic reticulum membrane

Insulin stimulates transport of glucose into muscle and adipose tissues

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