

Glycogen Storage Diseases

(A group of genetic diseases)

Glycogen Storage Diseases (GSD)

- Inherited genetic defects related to **glycogen metabolism**.
- **Glycogenosis**.
- Characterized by **deposition** of **glycogen** in the specific **tissues**, mainly **Liver, Muscle, Spleen, Renal tubules**..
- Some of the more common 6 major forms of these diseases.....

Type	Name	Enzyme affected	Primary organ involved	Clinical Manifestations
I	Von Gierke's disease or (type I glycogenosis)	G-6-P'ase	Liver, kidney and intestine	Hypoglycemia, hyperlipemia, Ketosis, hyperuricemia(Gout), Lactic phosphatase acidemia, hepatomegaly etc
II	Pompe's disease	Lysosomal α-1, 4 glucosidase or (acid maltase)	All organs with Lysosomes	Infantile form, early death, Cardiac failure, Accumulation of glycogen in lysosomes
III	Cori's disease or (Limit dextrinosis) or (Forbe's disease)	Absence of Debranching enzyme or (Amylo α -1,6-glucosidase)	Liver, muscle, heart, leucocytes	Branched chain glycogen accumulates; liver enlarged; clinical manifestations are similar to von Gierke's disease.

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IV	Andersen's disease Or Amylopectinosis	Absence of Branching enzyme	Liver	Accumulation of abnormal glycogen having few branches, Early death due to cardiac or liver failure
V	Mc-Ardle's syndrome	Absence of Muscle glycogen phosphorylase	Skeletal muscle	Muscle do not get energy, Excessive induced muscular pain, cramps, decrease serum lactate after exercise.

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VI	Her's disease	Liver glycogen phosphorylase	Liver	High content of liver glycogen, mild hypoglycemia and ketosis
VII	Tarui's disease	Phosphofructo kinase (PFK) in muscle and erythrocytes	Muscle and RBC	As in type V, in addition hemolytic anemia

Hexose Monophosphate Pathway (HMP)

(PPP Shunt)

Definition:

It is an **alternative minor pathway** for **glucose oxidation**.

Does **not** produce **ATP** nor utilize it.

Producing **NADPH+H⁺** (Biosyn Lipids) and **Ribose** (Synthesis of NA).

Intracellular site and tissue distribution:

Cytosolic in tissues namely: liver, Adipose tissues, Lactating mammary gland, RBCs, Suprarenal cortex, Thyroid and testis.

Not active in **non-lactating mammary gland**, and in **skeletal muscles**.

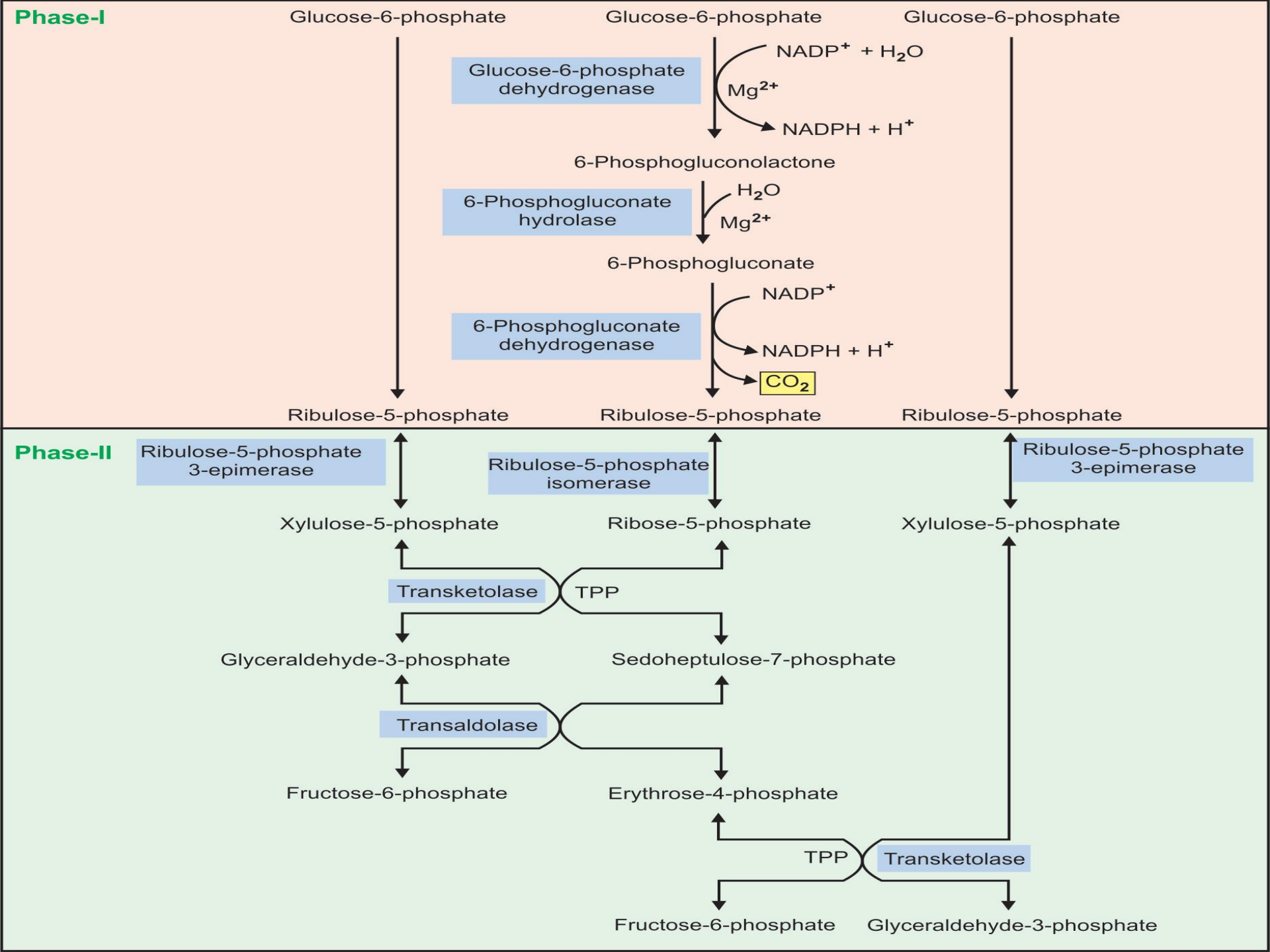
Reactions of the Pentose Phosphate Pathway

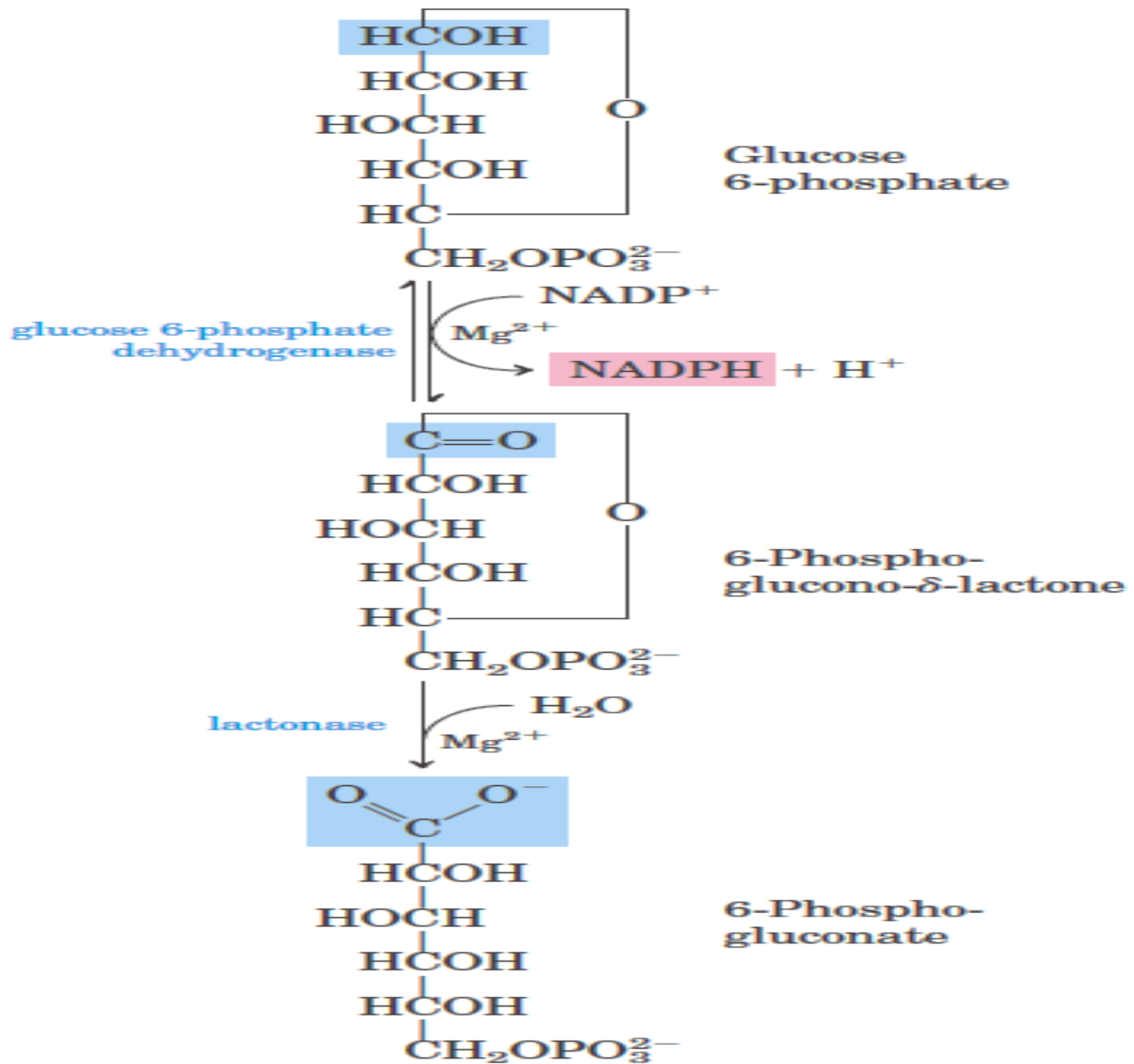
The pathway are divided into **two phases**:

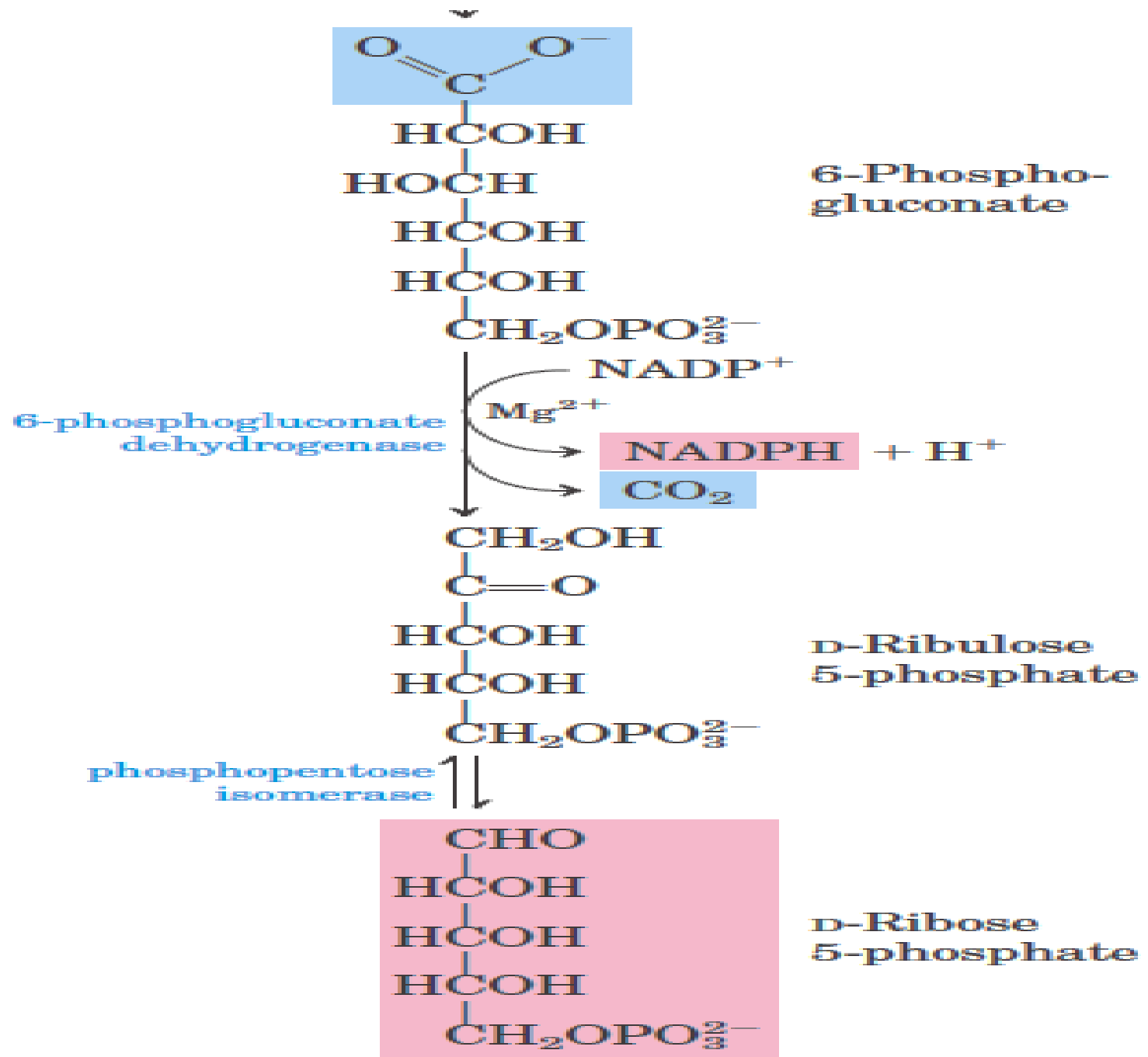
1. **Phase I : Oxidative irreversible phase**
2. **Phase II : Non-oxidative reversible phase.**

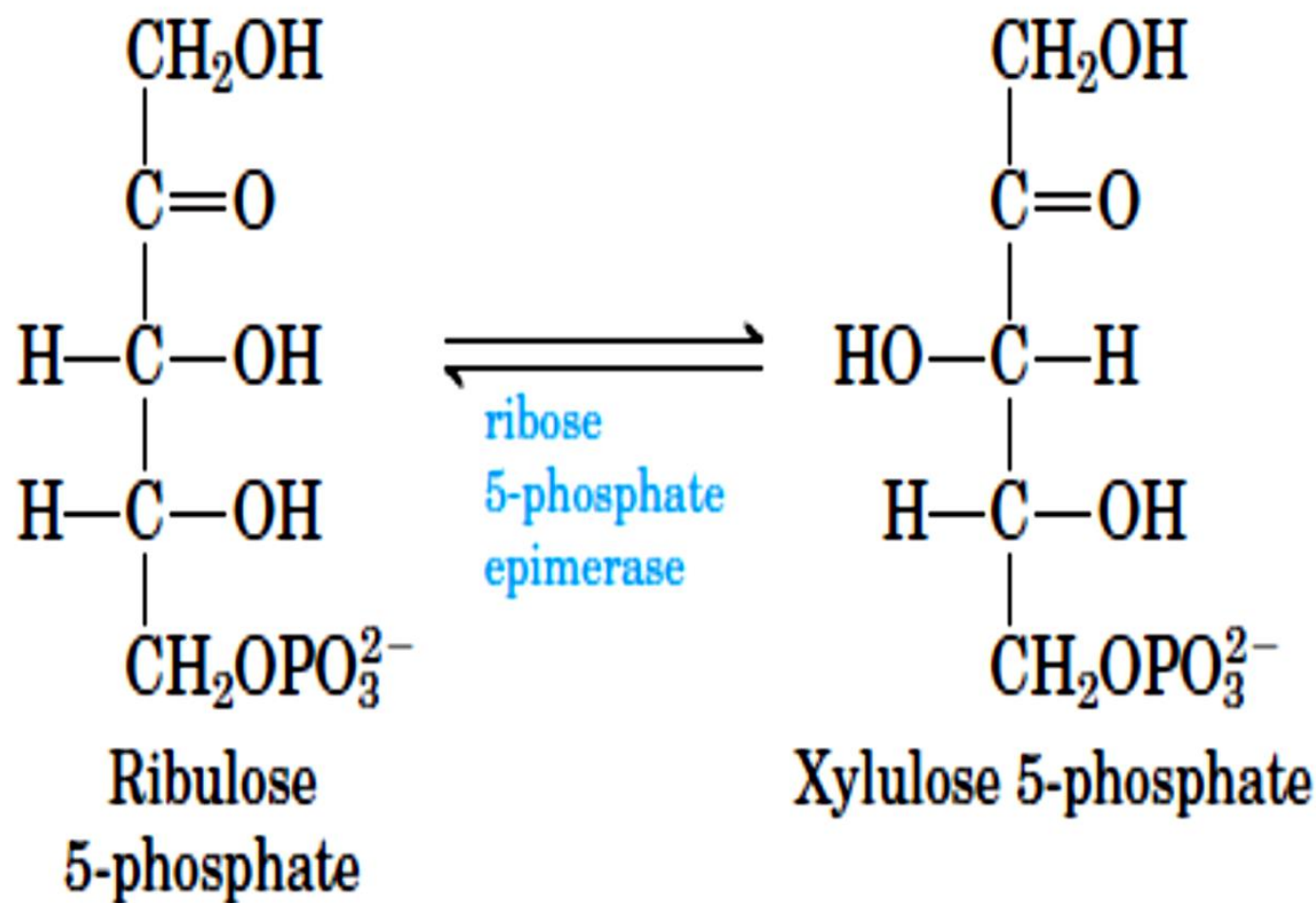
Reactions of phase I (oxidative irreversible phase):

In the first phase, glucose-6-phosphate undergoes dehydrogenation and decarboxylation to give pentose, ribulose-5-phosphate with generation of NADPH.

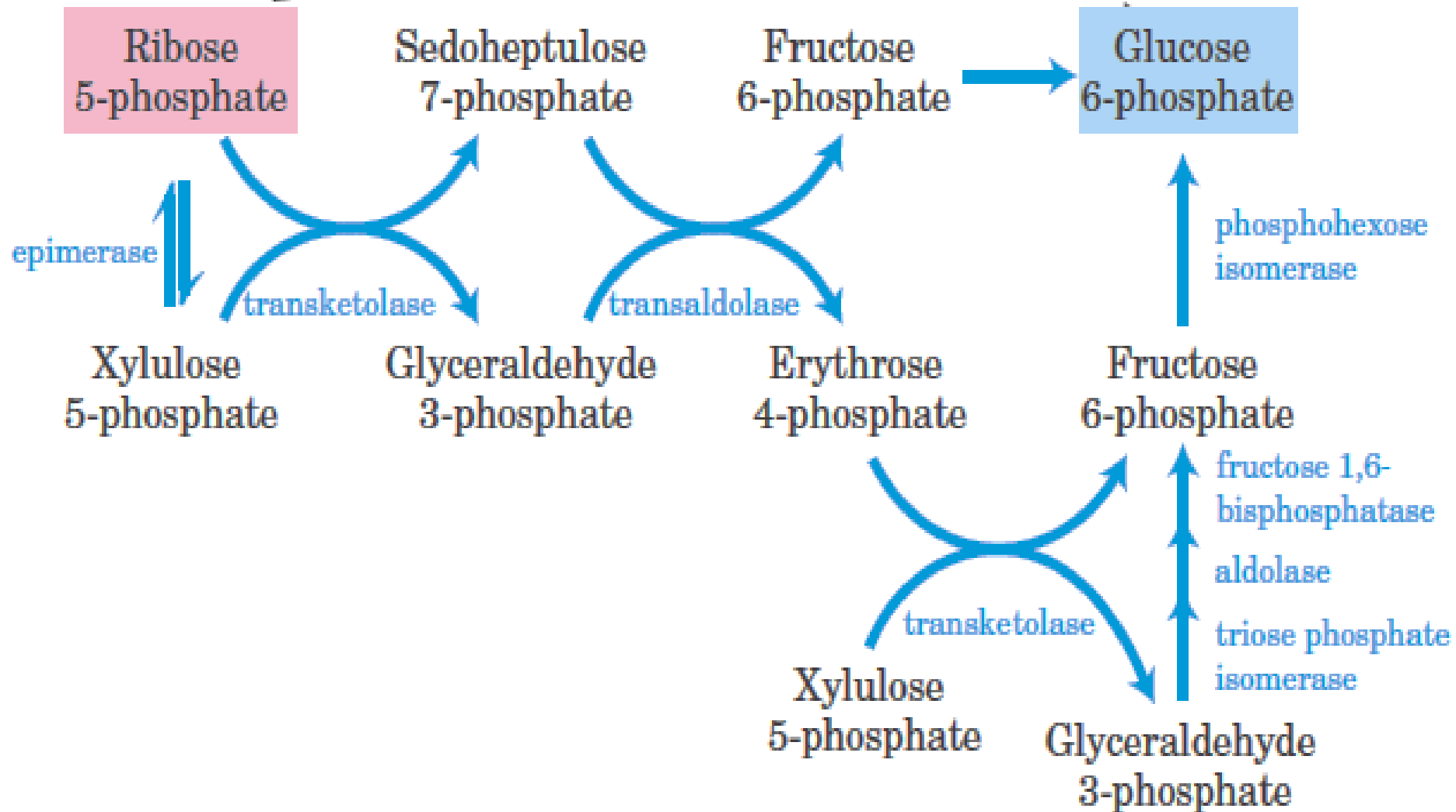


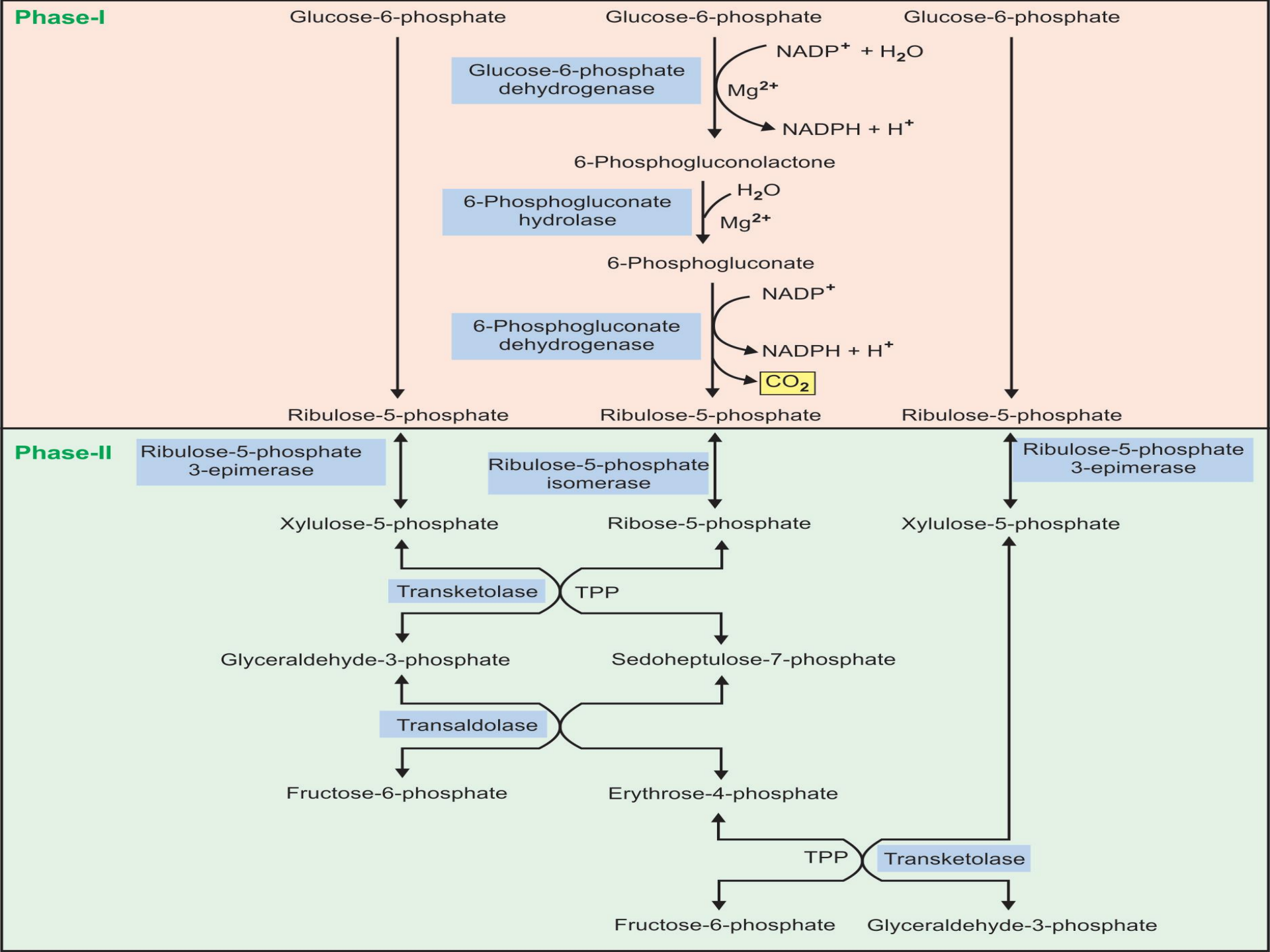






oxidative reactions of
pentose phosphate pathway





Regulation of HMP shunt: -

The key regulatory enzymes are **G-6-PD** and **6-phospho-gluconate dehydrogenases**.

They are **activated by fed state, glucose, insulin, thyroxine** and **NADP**.

But....

They are **inhibited** during **starvation, diabetes mellitus** and with **high NADPH.H⁺/NADP** ratio.

Functions and metabolic
importance of HMP shunt:

I- Production of pentoses:

Tissues must satisfy their own requirement of pentoses since **dietary pentoses are not utilizable** and **ribose** is **not** a significant constituent of systemic blood.

Pentoses are used for:

1. Nucleic acids, Ribose for RNA and Deoxyribose for DNA.
2. Coenzymes synthesis, e.g., NAD⁺, FAD, CoASH.
3. Free nucleotide Coenzymes, e.g., ATP, GTP,
4. Synthesis of certain vitamins, e.g., B₂ and B₁₂.

HMP pathway is the major human source for production of NADPH.H⁺ required for:

1. Fatty acid synthesis (lipogenesis) and fatty acid desaturation.
2. Cholesterol and other steroid synthesis.
3. Synthesis of sphingosine and cerebrosides.
4. Synthesis of non-essential amino acids, e.g., glutamate and tyrosine from phenylalanine.
5. Regeneration of reduced glutathione (G-S-H).
6. Metabolic hydroxylation with Cyp₄₅₀.

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(G-6-PD Deficiency)

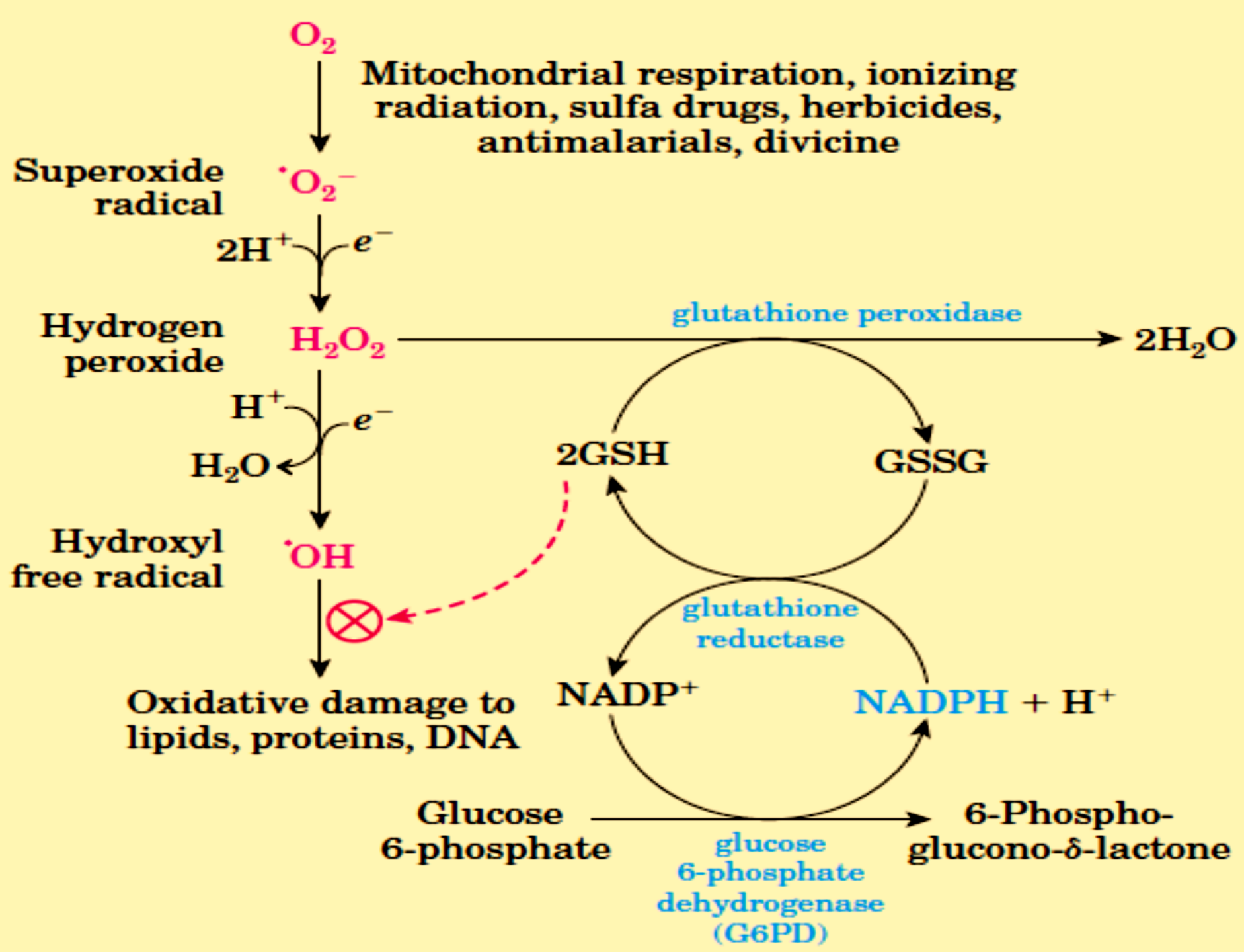
Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase deficiency :

- Sometimes also called **G6PD deficiency**, or **favism** is a **hereditary disease**.
- As it is linked to the **X chromosome**, most people who suffer from it are **male**.
- **Sufferers can not** make the enzyme G-6-PD.
- This will mean the **circulation of sugar** in their body is **different**.

-- G6PD (first step in the PPP), which **produces** NADPH (**reductant**) which **essential** in many biosynthetic **pathways**.

-- **Also protects** cells from oxidative damage (**ROS**) like hydrogen peroxide (H_2O_2) and superoxide free radicals (metabolic byproducts).

-- Through the actions of drugs such as **primaquine** and **natural products** such as **divicine**—the **toxic ingredient** of fava beans.



G-6-PD deficiency and resistance to malaria:

The **malarial parasite**, Plasmodium falciparum **infects the red blood cell**, where it **depends** on the **reduced glutathione** and the **products of** the pentose phosphate pathway for its optimum growth.

Therefore, persons with **G-6-PD deficiency** **cannot support growth of this parasite** and thus are less prone to malaria than the normal person.

Wernicke-Korsakoff syndrome

- This is a **genetic disorder**.
- Due to **reduced** activity of TPP-dependent **transketolase** enzyme.
- **Chronic thiamine deficiency** a much **reduced activity** of **transketolase** leading to the **Wernicke-Korsakoff syndrome**.
- Symptoms :
Weakness, Mental disorder, Memory loss, Paralysis, etc.

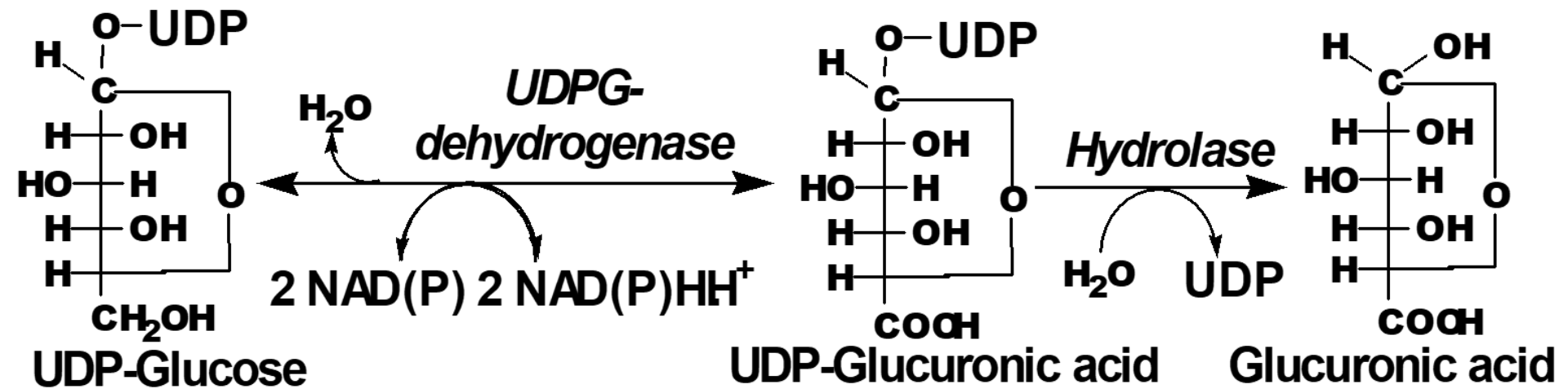
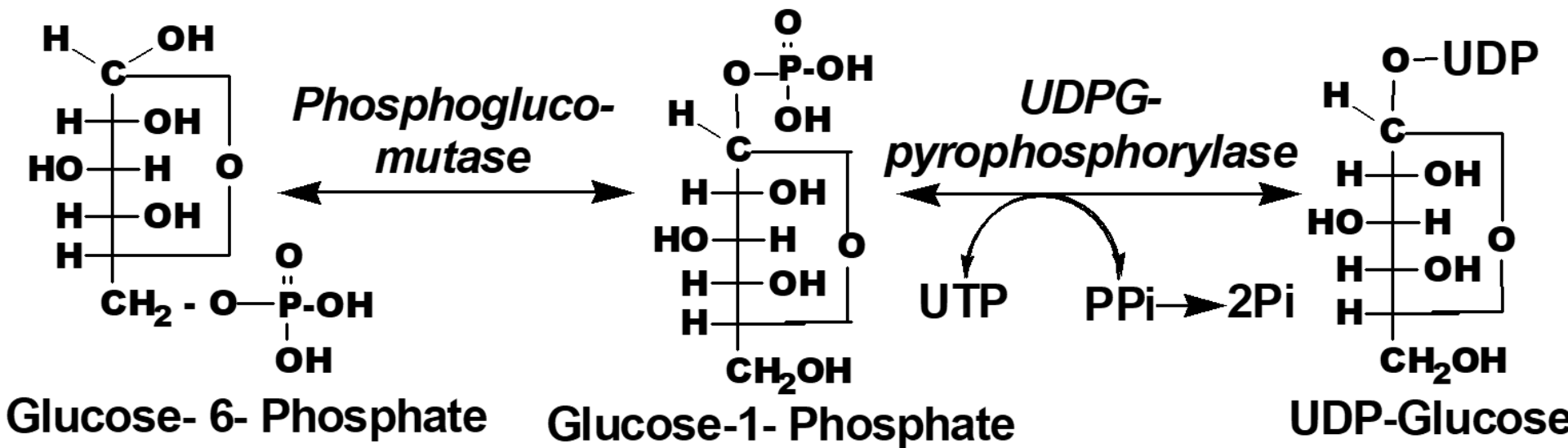
Uronic acid Pathway

It is another **minor alternative pathway** for **glucose oxidation** by which **glucuronic acid**, **ascorbic acid** and **pentoses** are obtained from glucose.

Like HMP shunt, it does **not need nor generate ATP**.

Site:

In cytosol of many tissues, especially liver, kidney and intestine.



Biological importance of Uronic Acid Pathway:

1-Production of UDP-glucuronic acid,
metabolically active form of glucuronic acid.

Enters in:

- Synthesis of mucopolysaccharides.
- Detoxification by conjugation: UDP-glucuronic acid is used to detoxify steroid hormones, drugs and toxins.
- Formation of conjugated bilirubin.

2-Formation of pentoses.

Disorder of Glucuronic Acid Pathway

Essential pentosuria:

It is a **benign** (harmless) inborn error of metabolism.

Sugar L-xylulose is excreted in the urine in excess.

Due to defect in NADP⁺ linked *L-xylulose dehydrogenase*, (glucuronic acid pathway).

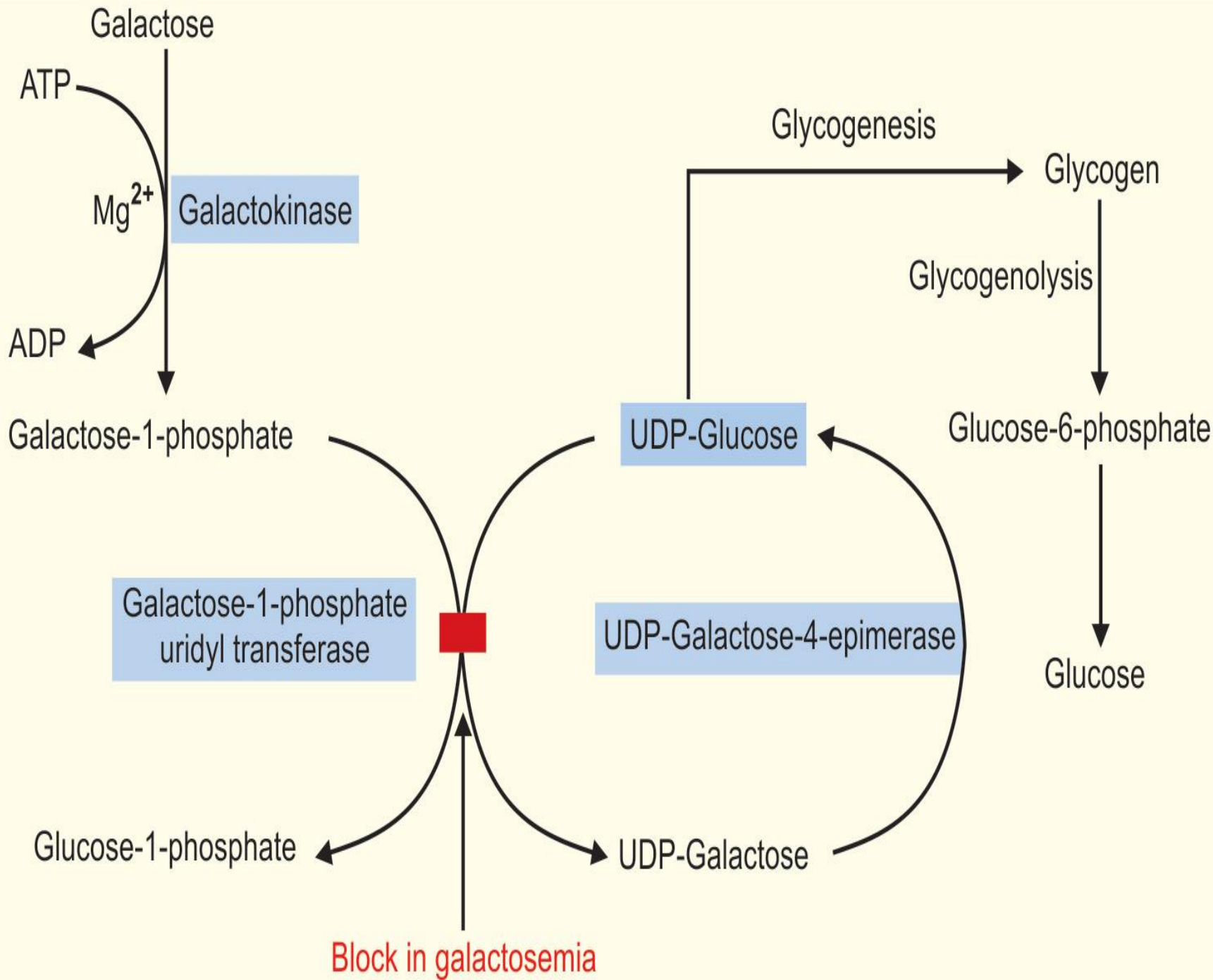
It is necessary to accomplish reduction of L-xylulose to xylitol.

GALACTOSE METABOLISM AND GALACTOSEMIA

- Galactose is derived from disaccharide, lactose (**Milk sugar**) of the diet.
- Galactose is **readily converted** in the liver to glucose
- It is important for the formation of:
 - Glycolipids
 - Glycoproteins
 - Proteoglycans
 - Lactose during lactation.

Reactions of the Pathway

- I. Phosphorylation of galactose to galactose-1-phosphate by *Galactokinase*, using ATP.
- II. Galactose displaces a glucose of UDP-glucose by *Galactose-1-phosphate uridyl-transferase*.
- III. UDP-galactose to UDP-glucose by *Epimerase*.
- IV. Finally, glucose is liberated from UDP-glucose for glycogenesis and glycogenolysis.



Disorder of Galactose Metabolism

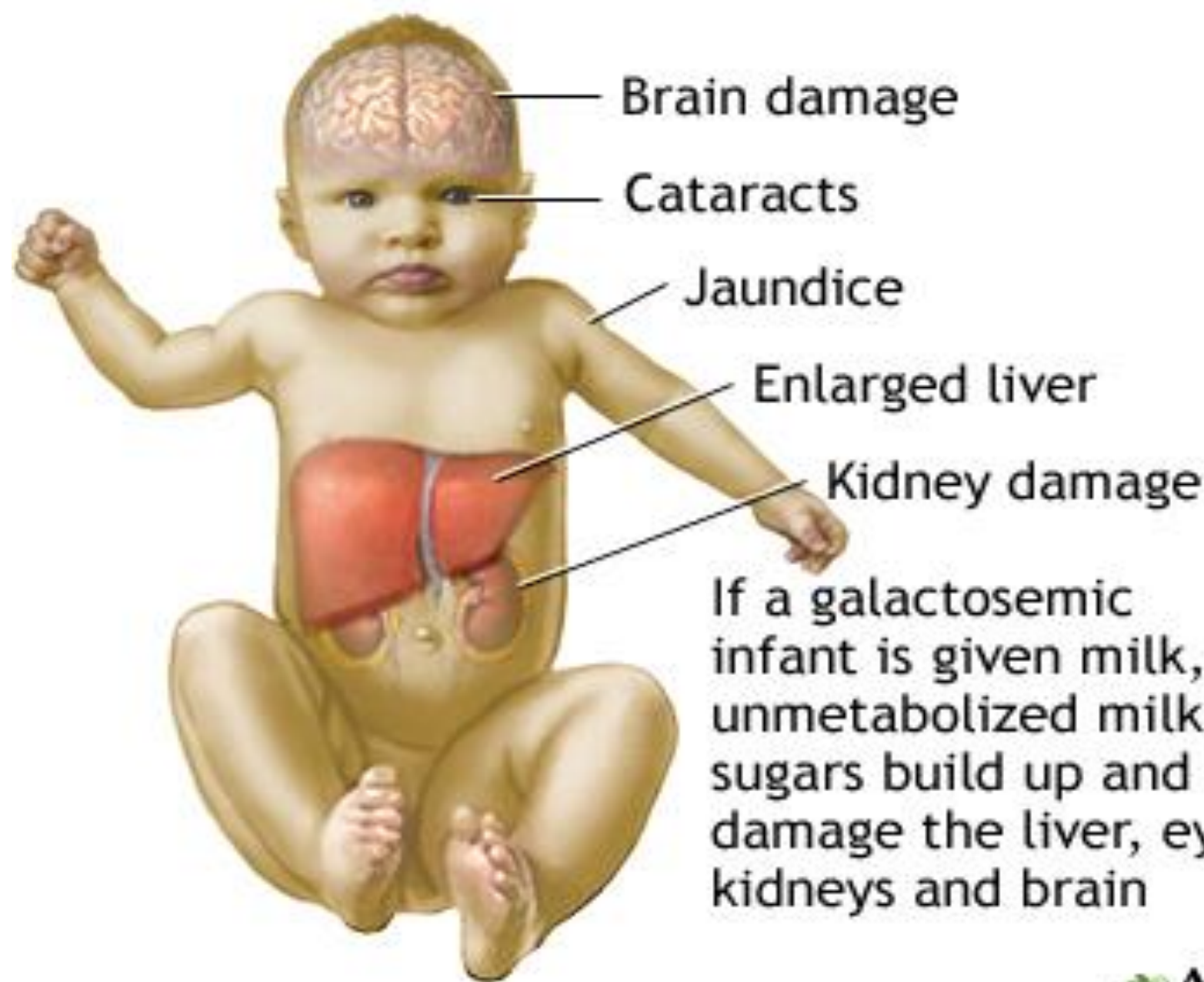
- *Galactosemia*: (An inborn error)
- Deficiency of **galactose-1-phosphate uridyl transferase**.

Prevents conversion of galactose to glucose and leads to **accumulation** of galactose and galactose-1-phosphate in **blood, liver, brain, kidney and eye lenses**.

-- In these organs, the galactose is reduced to galactitol (**dulcitol**) by **aldose reductase**.

- **Clinical findings:**

- The **accumulation** of **galactitol** and **galactose-1-phosphate** in liver, brain and eye lenses.
- **Causes :**
- **liver failure** (hepatomegaly/cirrhosis), mental retardation and **cataract formation**, etc.



Brain damage

Cataracts

Jaundice

Enlarged liver

Kidney damage

If a galactosemic infant is given milk, unmetabolized milk sugars build up and damage the liver, eyes, kidneys and brain

Glycosuria/Glucosuria

- **Definition :**

- **Conditions:**

- 1.Glucosuria** (excretion of glucose) mainly in diabetes and renal diabetes.

- 2.Lactosuria:** during pregnancy and lactation

- 3.Galactosuria:** found in galactosemia

Types

1. Hyperglycemic glycosuria: blood glucose level exceeds Renal Sugar Threshold (RST).

Ex: DM, Hyper secretion of Thyroid hormones, Cortisol etc.

2. Renal glycosuria: RST lower due to reabsorption capacity of renal tubules diminished (BSL normal).

3. Alimentary glycosuria: after carbohydrate rich meal due to excess absorption from intestine.

4. Glycosuria of pregnancy: decreased RST

5. Transient glycosuria: Emotional stress, excessive production of catecholamine's.

Once stress is removed glycosuria disappears

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