Mitochondria

Structure: Outer membrane: highly permeable

Inner membrane: impermeable

Cristae: folds of inner membrane, which extend to matrix

Proteins: transport proteins (H⁺/pyruvate symporter, ADP/ATP antiporter)

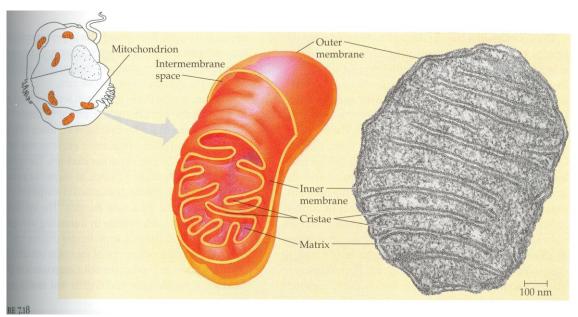
respiratory chain (terminal oxidation)

ATP synthase

Matrix:

enzymes (citric acid cycle + others) genetic apparatus (mitochondrial DNA)

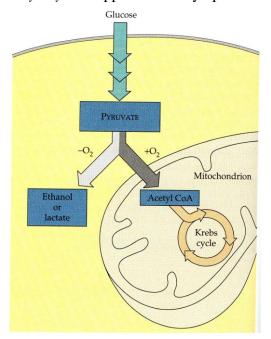
Intermembrane space



Structure of mitochondrion (from Campbell: Biology)

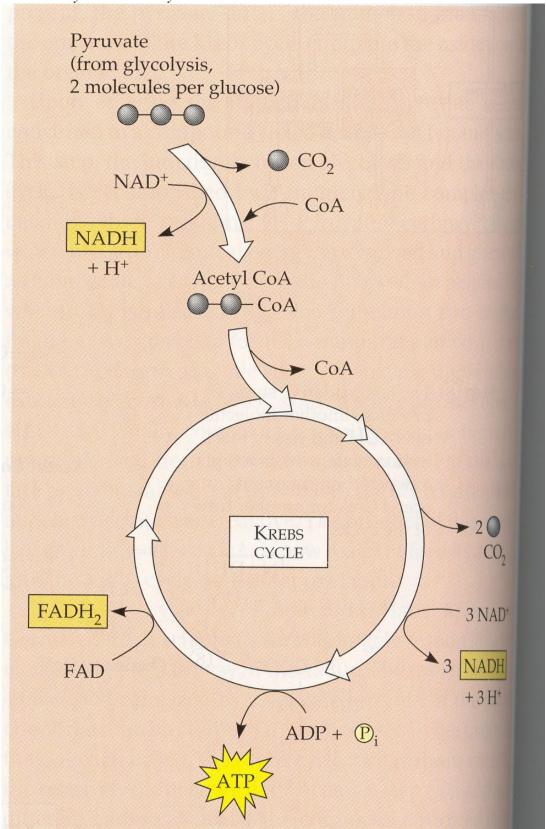
Function: ATP production

1. Glycolysis: happens in the cytoplasm!



Glycolysis (from Campbell: Biology)

2. *Citrate cycle* = *Krebs cycle*: mitochondrial matrix



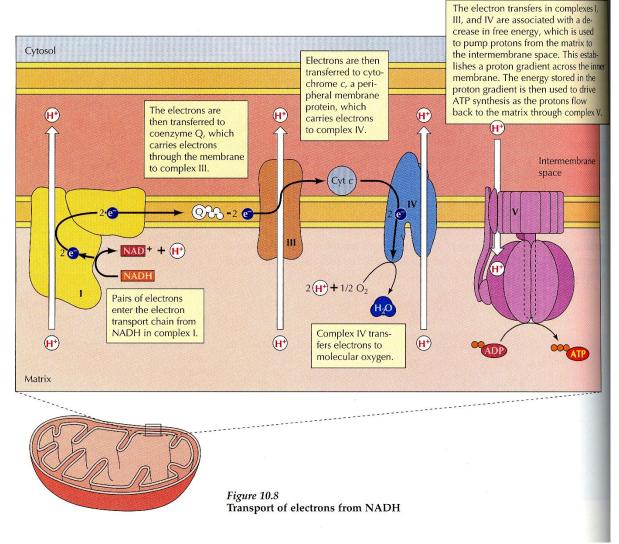
Citrate cycle (from Campbell: Biology)

4C compound, which reacts with acetyl-CoenzymeA: oxalacetate

6C compound, which is formed: citric acid (citrate)

H⁺ and GTP and reduced coenzymes (NADH, FADH₂) are produced

3. Terminal oxidation (oxidative phosphorylation): inner membrane



Terminal oxidation (from Cooper: The cell)

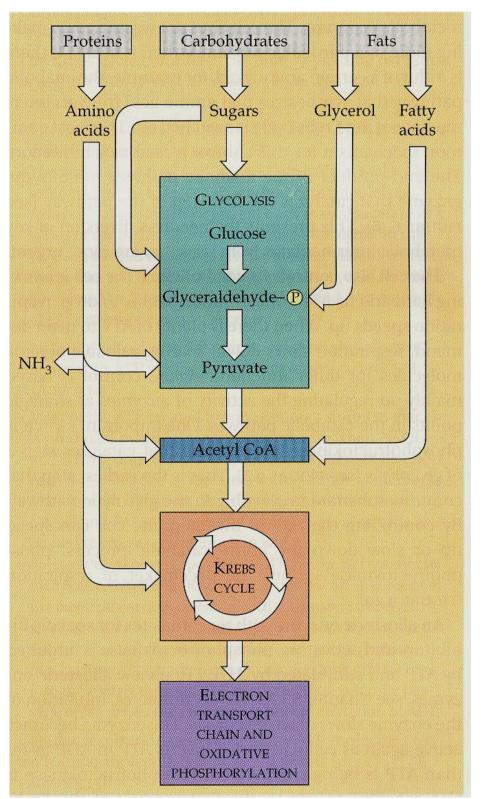
Electrons of FADH₂: complex II. \rightarrow complex III. \rightarrow complex IV. Cytochromes: contain Fe (Fe²⁺ or Fe³⁺)

Difference in concentration of H⁺ ions between matrix and intermembrane space is used by

ATP synthase to produce ATP from ADP + P

ATP synthase: uses the energy of passive H⁺ transport

How to produce energy from other macromolecules?



Breakdown processes (from Campbell: Biology)

Mitochondrial DNA: codes for mRNAs, tRNAs, rRNAs

 \rightarrow some of the proteins are synthesized by the mitochondrion itself, other are imported from the cytoplasm.

Endosymbiosis theory