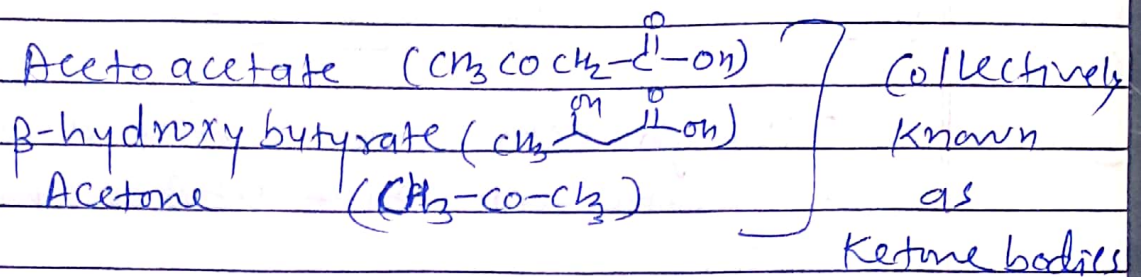


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These are water soluble energy producing substances. Acetone is volatile & excreted from body through breathing.

## Ketogenesis

Generation of ketone bodies from acetyl-CoA is called ketogenesis.

Liver cell is the only place for ketogenesis.

Location: Mitochondrial matrix of liver cells.

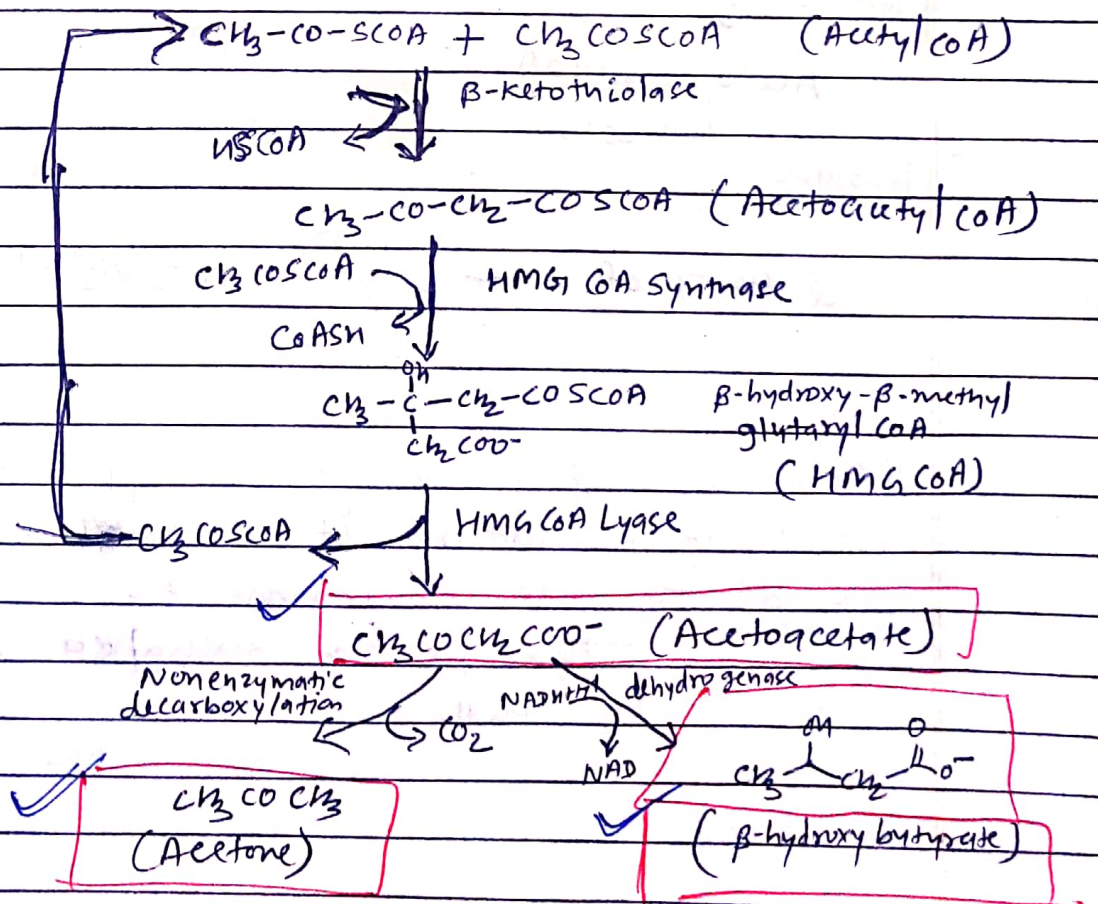
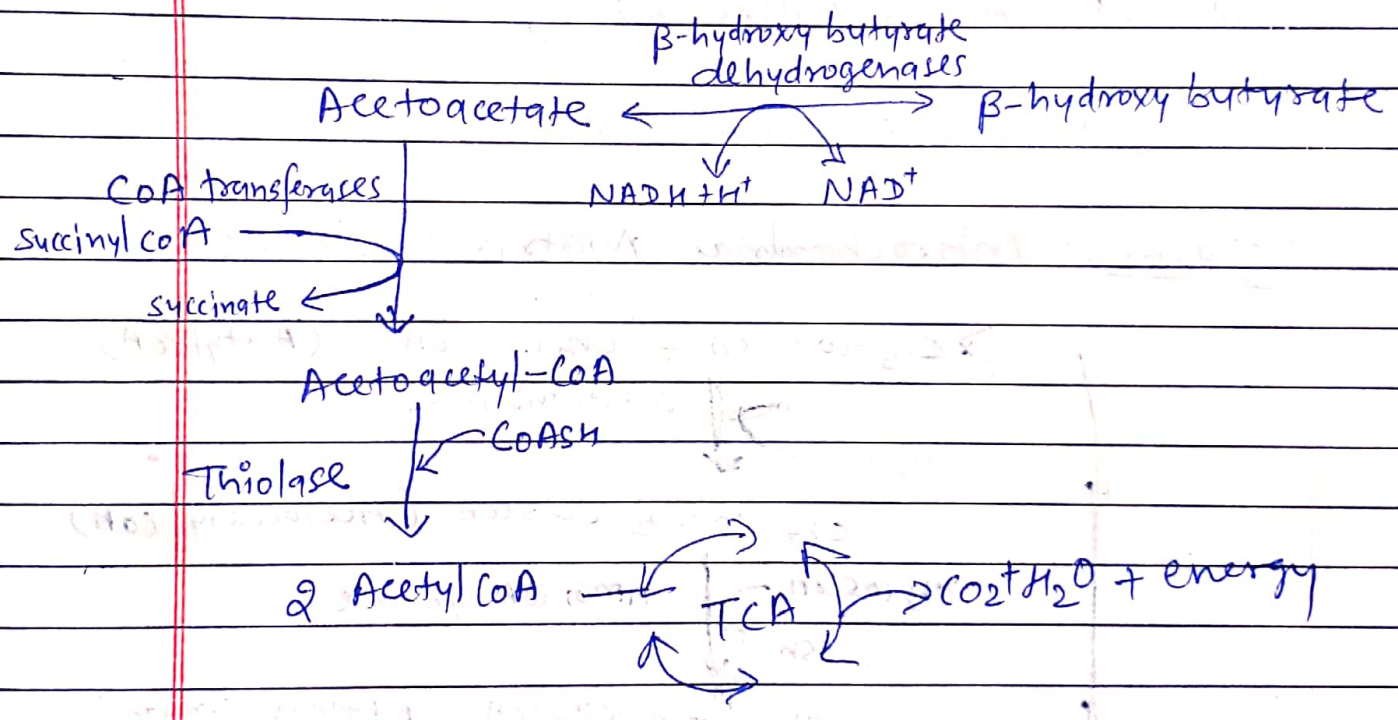


Fig. :- Ketogenesis

## Utilization of ketone bodies

Though ketone bodies formed in liver cell but hepatic cell can't utilize these ketone bodies.

Because liver cell don't have the enzyme CoA-transferase, so they cannot utilize it. So these ketone bodies transferred from the liver cell to extrahepatic tissue or cells through blood supply.



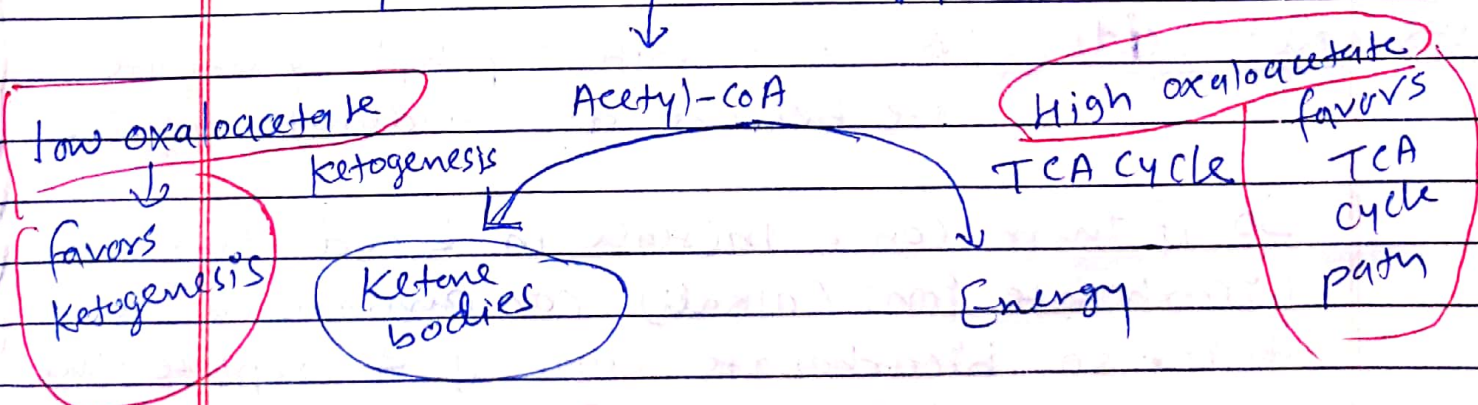
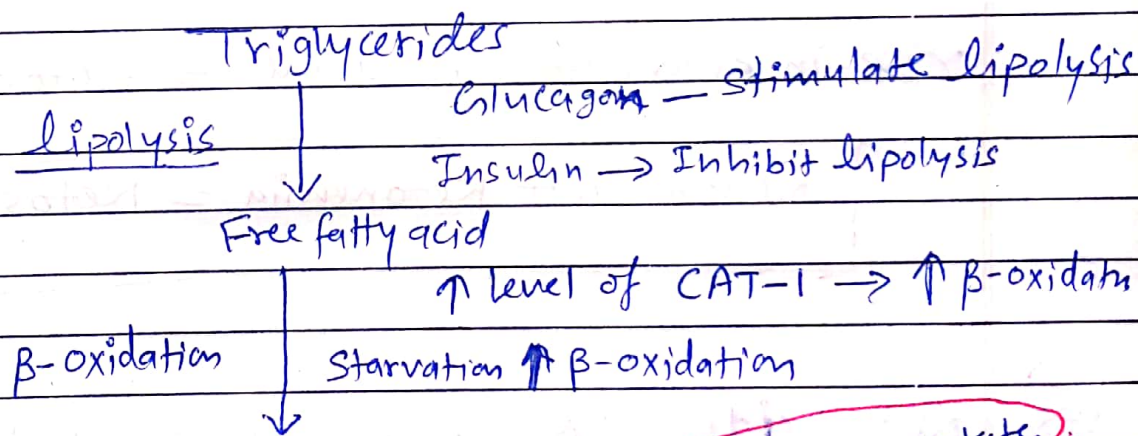
Metabolism of acetone is not happened due to its volatile nature, it is exhaled by the lungs to enter environment.

The person exhaled acetone smell like fruity smell.

## Significance of Ketogenesis

- It allows liver to metabolise excess quantity of acetyl CoA.
- During low supply of carbohydrate (starvation or in diabetes mellitus) - these ketone bodies serve as alternative energy source.
- In long starvation, brain receive maximum supply by ketone bodies.

## Regulation of Ketogenesis



Low oxaloacetate concentration may be due to prolonged starvation, improper carbohydrate metabolism or diabetes mellitus.

# Disorders of ketone body metabolism

## ① Ketosis ⇒

Normal conc. of ketone body in venous blood is (0.2 mmol/L)

Hepatic cell → responsible for ketogenesis

Non-hepatic cell → responsible for utilization of ketone bodies

So when rate of formation of ketone bodies exceeds their utilization by peripheral tissues. There is increase of ketone bodies in blood

rise in ketone body in blood → **ketonemia**

rise in ketone body in urine → **ketonuria**

**Ketonuria + Ketonemia = ketosis**

②

Ketoacidosis ⇒ Acetoacetate &  $\beta$ -hydroxybutyrate are behave as moderate acids.

So if their conc. increase in blood, the bicarbonate ions (alkali) compensate with this. so bicarbonate conc. ↓ & deplete the body alkali reserve. This leads to ketoacidosis. (Blood pH decreases)

This condition is mainly found in type-I diabetes patient.

In type-II diabetes - relatively ~~rare~~ rare.

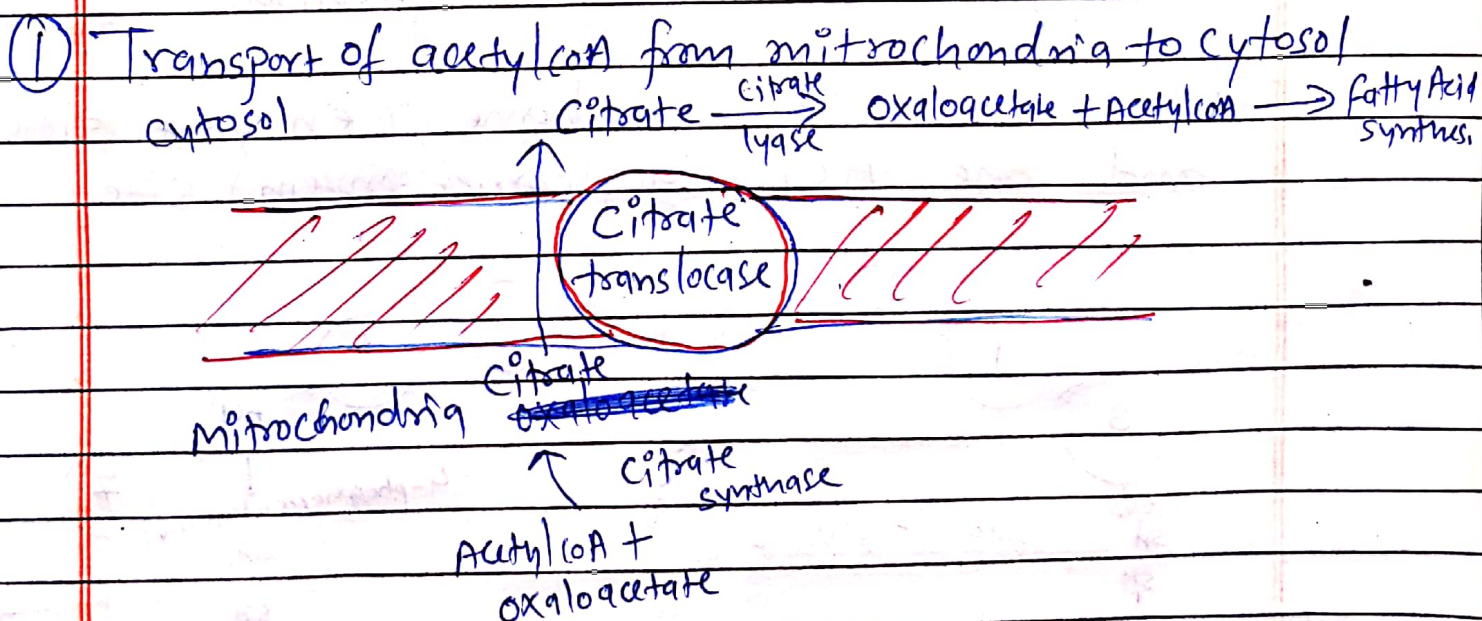
## De-novo synthesis of fatty acids (Lipogenesis)

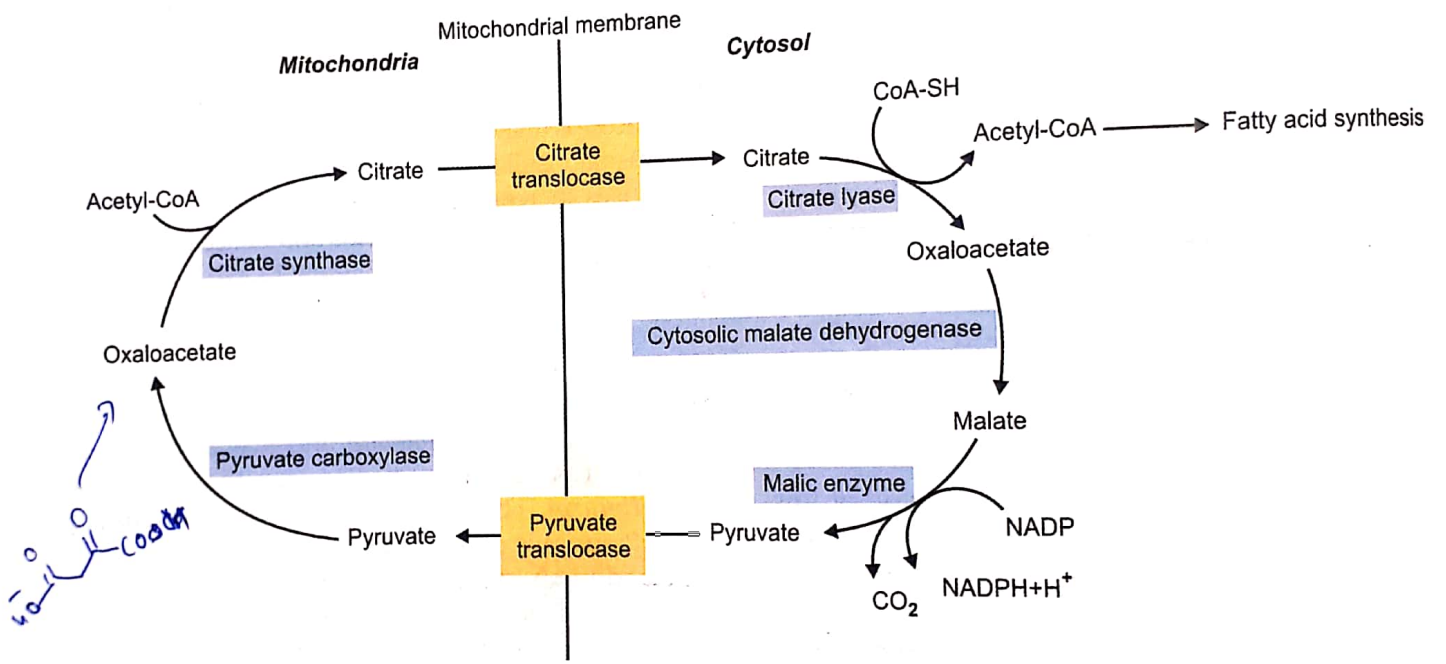
New synthesis of fatty acid from acetyl CoA is called De novo lipogenesis.

- ⇒ Mainly occurs in liver & lactating mammary glands.
- ⇒ In minute amount - adipose tissue, kidney & brain cell.

### 3 Steps involved for lipogenesis. (C<sub>16</sub> Palmitic Acid synthesis)

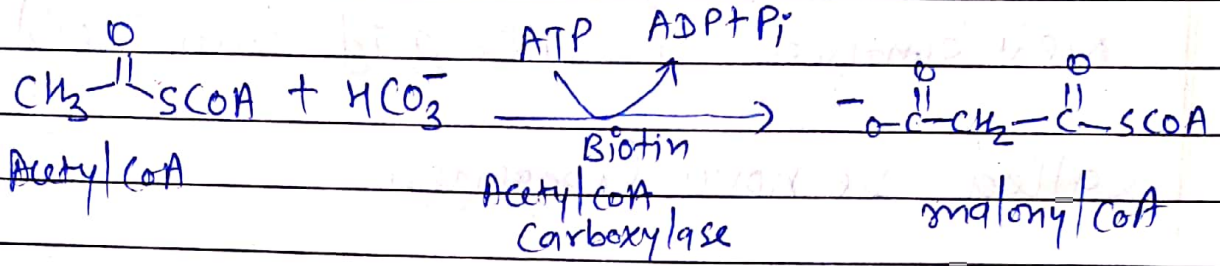
- (1) Transport of acetyl CoA from mitochondria to cytosol
- (2) Carboxylation of acetyl CoA to form malonyl CoA
- (3) Reaction of fatty acid synthesis using fatty acid synthase Complex





**Figure 13.16:** Transfer of acetyl-CoA from mitochondria to the cytosol

## ② Carboxylation of acetyl-CoA to malonyl-CoA



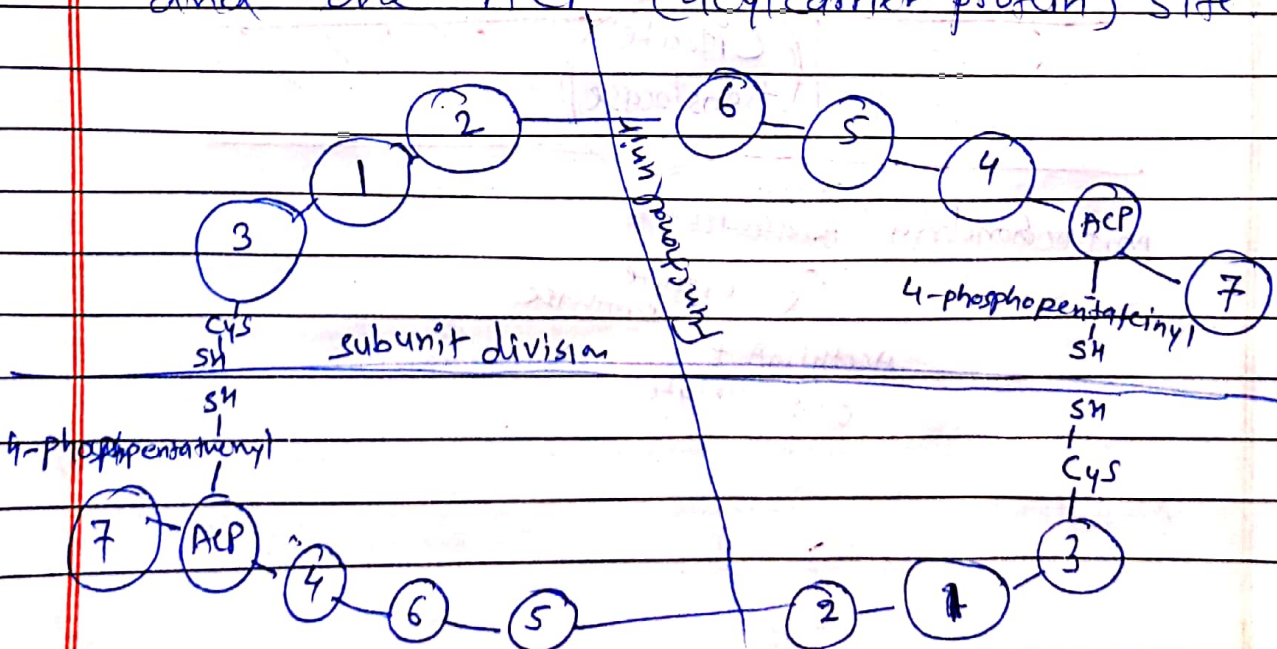
The carboxylation of acetyl-CoA is the rate limiting step in fatty acid synthesis

## ③ Reactions of fatty acid synthase complex

Fatty acid synthase complex is a multi enzyme complex which have different catalytic reaction ~~place~~ site on it.

The active complex is dimeric and arrange in head to tail fashion.

This synthase complex have 7 enzyme site and one ACP (acyl carrier protein) site.



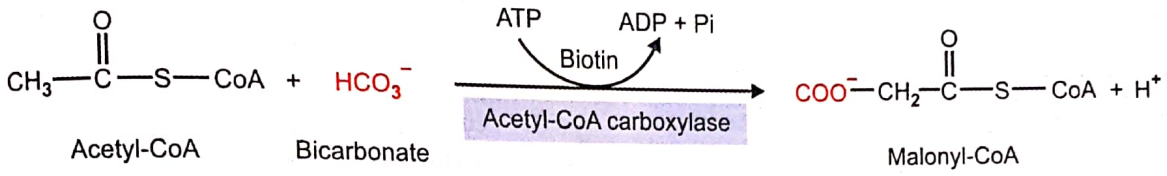


Figure 13.17: Biosynthesis of malonyl-CoA

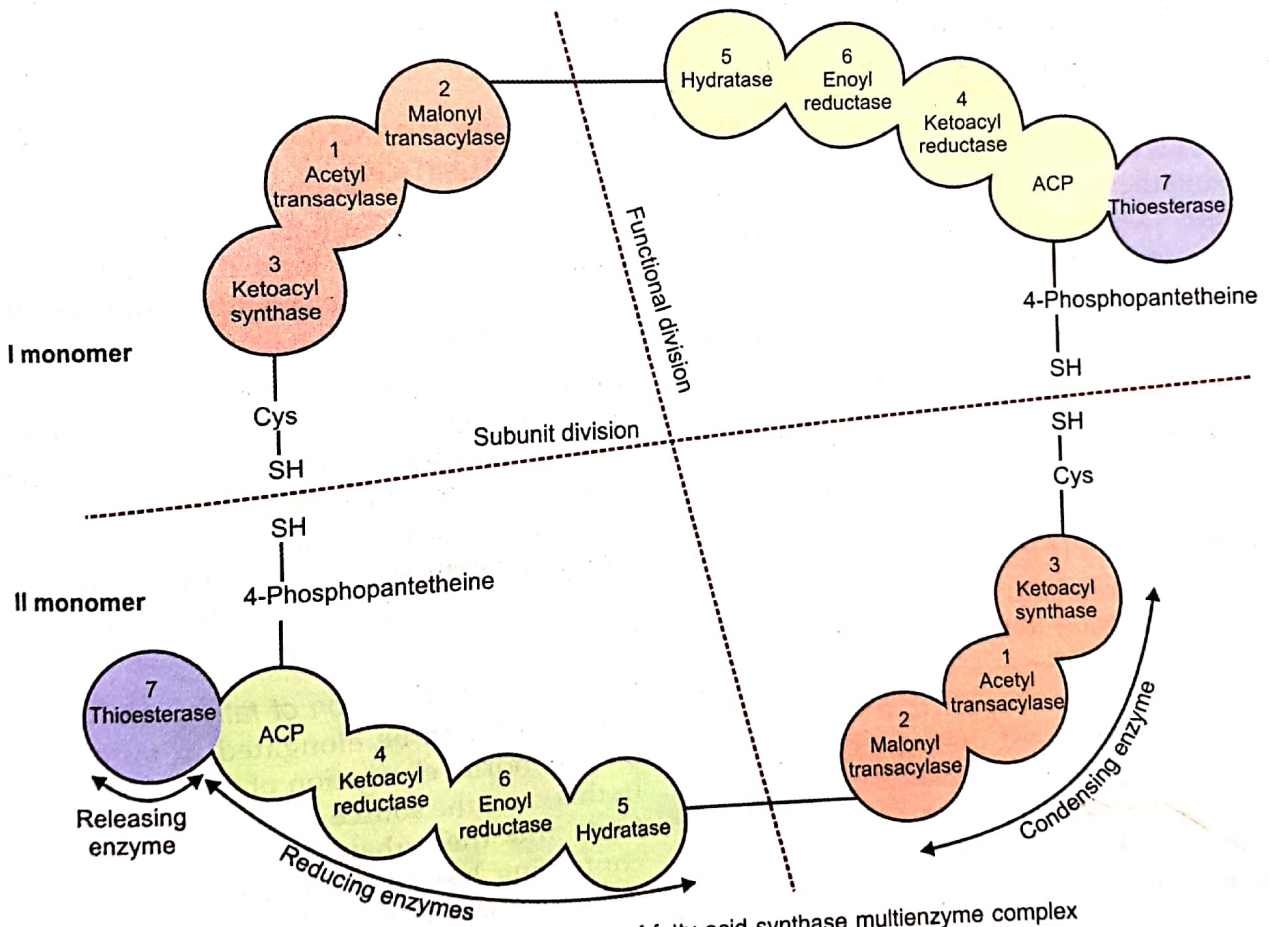
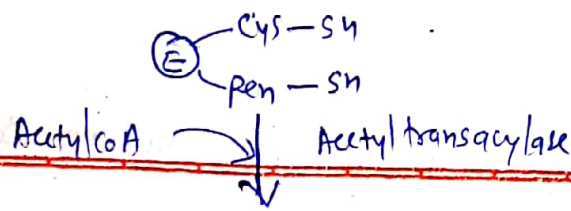


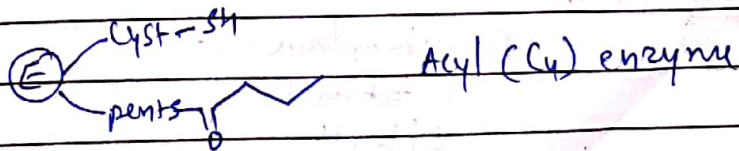
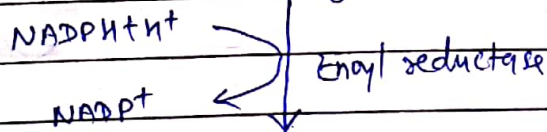
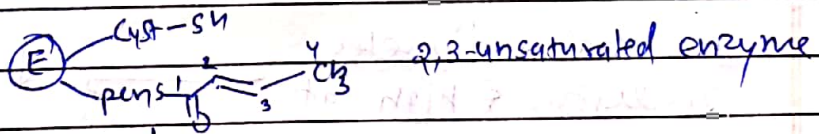
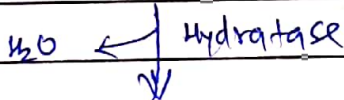
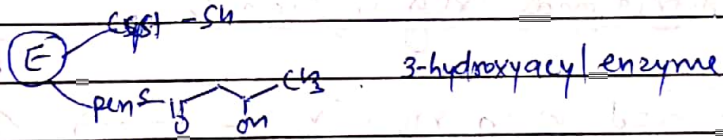
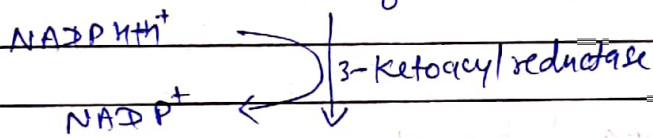
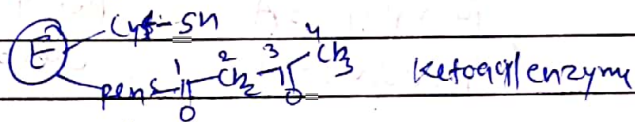
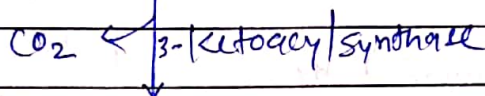
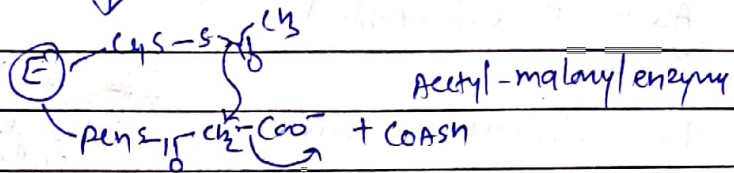
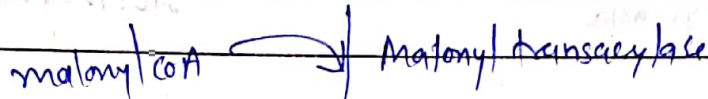
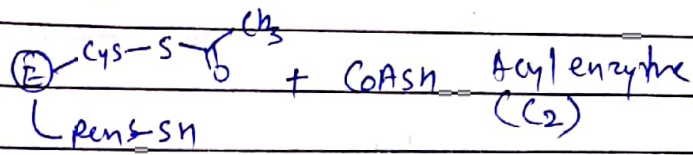
Figure 13.18: Schematic diagram of fatty acid synthase multienzyme complex



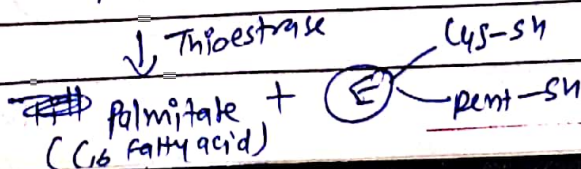
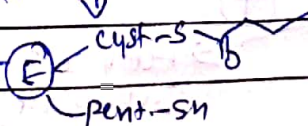
Reactions



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Till C<sub>16</sub> Palmitate form



# Regulation of De novo fatty acid synthesis Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Page no: \_\_\_\_\_

Enzymatic regulation

Acetyl CoA Carboxylase

Rate limiting enzyme

Activated by Citrate

Inhibited by Palmitoyl CoA (Product)

Hormonal regulation

~~Glucagon~~  
~~Insulin~~  
Insulin  
↓  
Activate  
Acetyl CoA  
Carboxylase

Glucagon  
epinephrine  
↓  
Inactivate  
Acetyl CoA  
Carboxylase

## Nutritional regulation :-

If food taken rich in Carbohydrate & low fat

↑ synthesis

↑ activity of Acetyl CoA Carboxylase

starvation, diabetes mellitus & high fat diet

↓ synthesis of Acetyl CoA Carboxylase enzyme

## In short :-

High Carbohydrate diet  
low fat diet  
Citrate  
Insulin

(+)

Acetyl CoA Carboxylase

(-)

Epinephrine, Glucagon  
Palmitoyl-CoA, Starvation  
High Fat diet