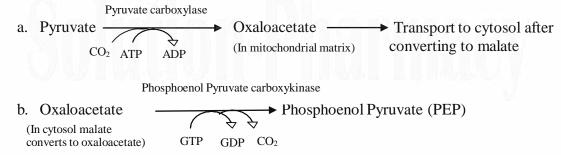
# **GLUCONEOGENESIS**

**Definition:** Gluconeogenesis is the synthesis of glucose from Pyruvate and other noncarbohydrate compounds (lactate, glycogenic amino acid, propionate and glycerol).

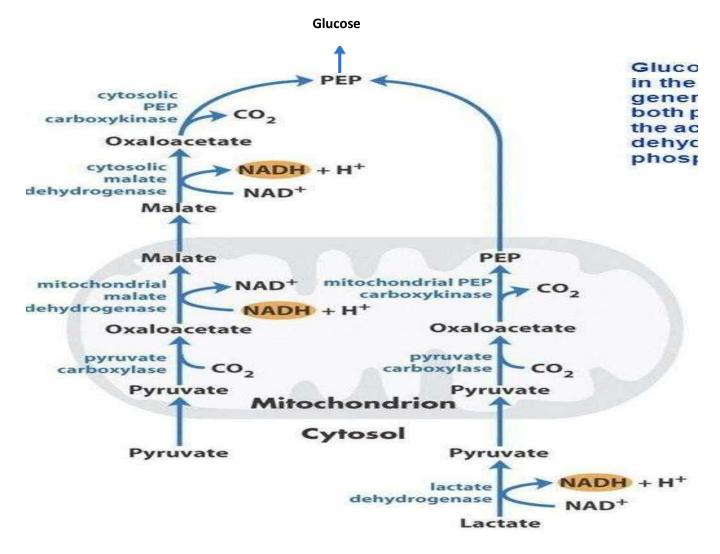
**Location:** Gluconeogenesis occurs in the in the cytosol and partly in the mitochondria of the cell of liver, kidney cortex and epithelial cells of the small intestine.

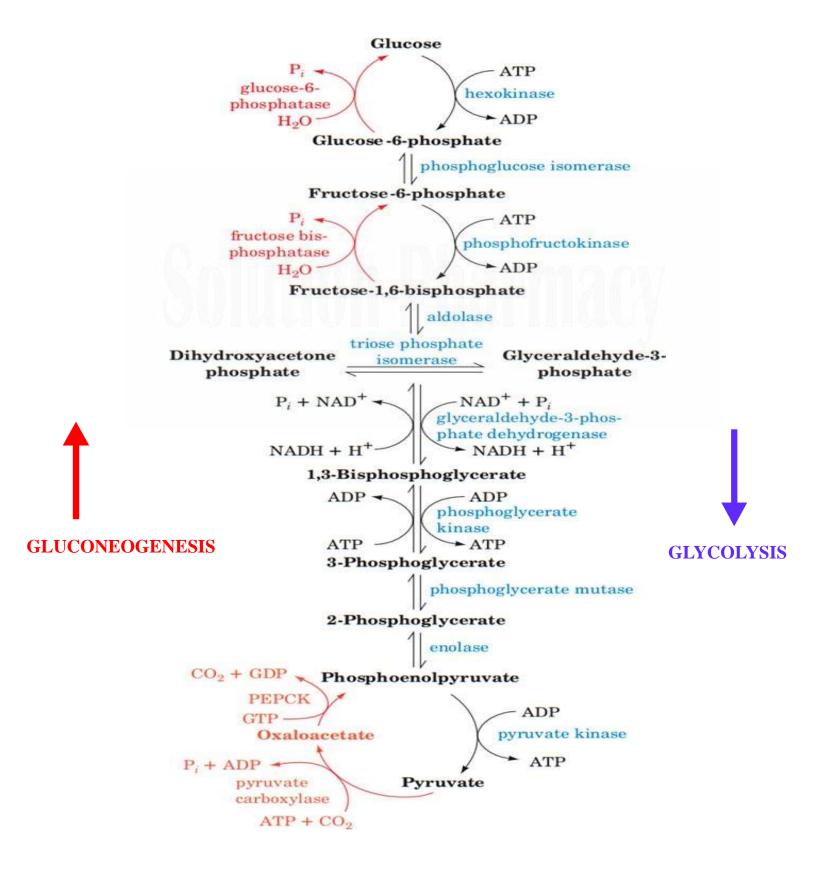
### A. Reaction of Gluconeogenesis from Pyruvate

1. Conversion of Pyruvate to Phosphoenol pyruvate



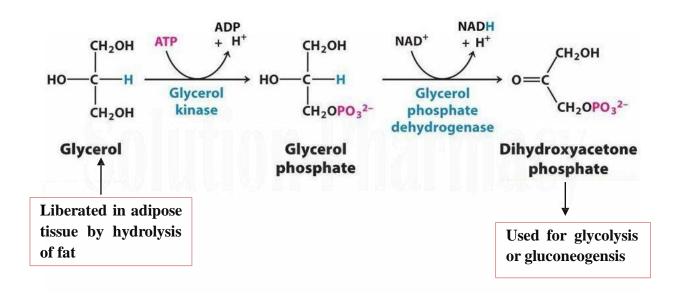
- 2. Conversion of fructose 1,6 biphosphate to fructose-6-phosphate
- 3. Conversion of glucose-6-Phosphate to glucose







### **B.** Gluconeogenesis from Glycerol



#### C. Gluconeogenesis from Amino Acid

The carbon skeleton of glucogenic amino acid result in the formation of pyruvate or inyermediates of citric acid cycle

## Significance of Gluconeogenesis

- 1. **Replenishment of glucose and maintenance of normal blood glucose** levels especially under the condition of starvation, prolong fasting and in diabetes mellitus.
- 2. Replenishment of liver glycogen.
- 3. Important role in **blood sugar Homeostasis.**
- 4. Regulation of acid base balance.
- 5. It clears the blood lactate produced by muscle & RBC and glycerol produced by adipose tissue.