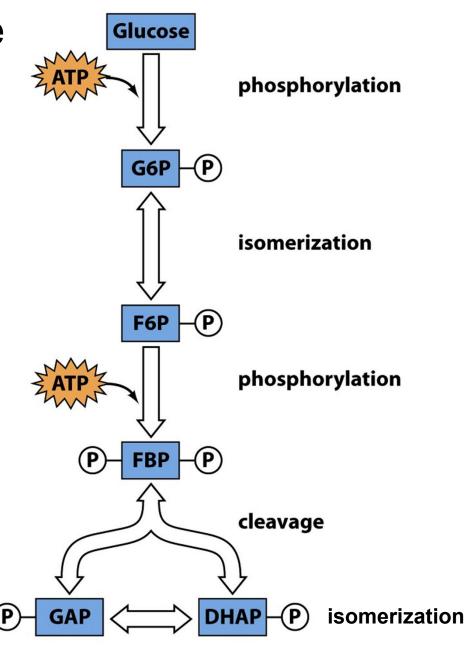
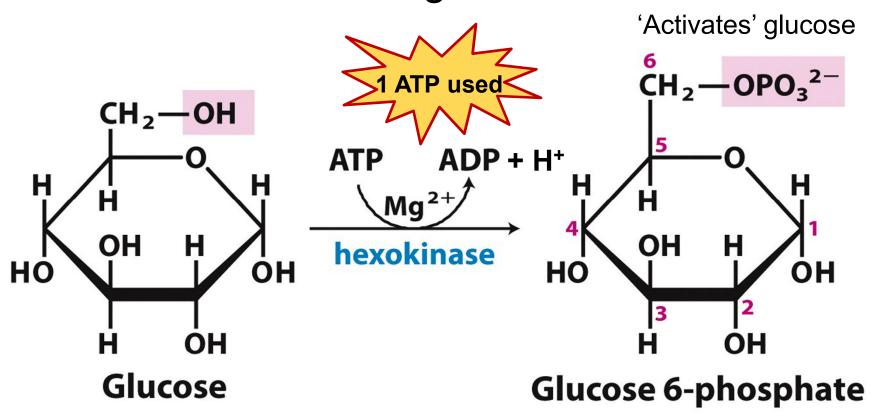
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Step 1: Hexokinase catalyzes a phosphoryl transfer from ATP to glucose



Keeps [glucose] low in the cell, so glucose can always move *down* its gradient into the cell

$$\Delta G^{\prime \circ} = -16.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

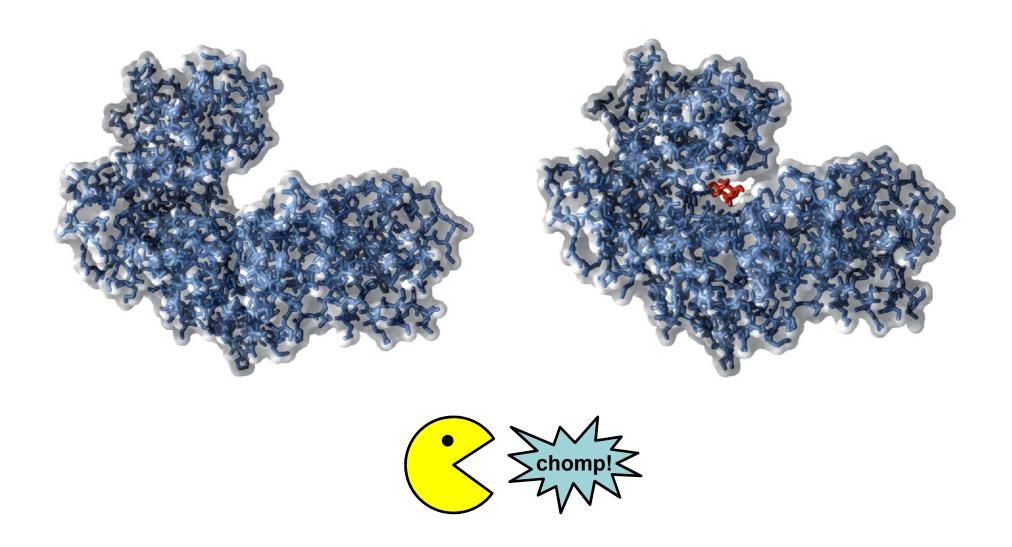
Mg²⁺ offsets negative charge on phosphates of ATP, allowing nucleophilic attack

Adenosine
$$-O-P-O-P-O-P-O-H-HOHHOH$$

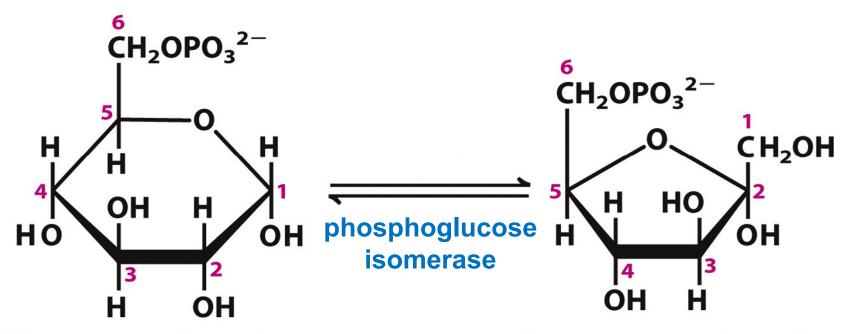
ATP

$$O-O-O-CH_2 O-CH_2 O-C$$

Hexokinase undergoes a conformational change on binding glucose (induced fit)



Step 2: PGI catalyzes the isomerization of the aldose G6P to the ketose F6P



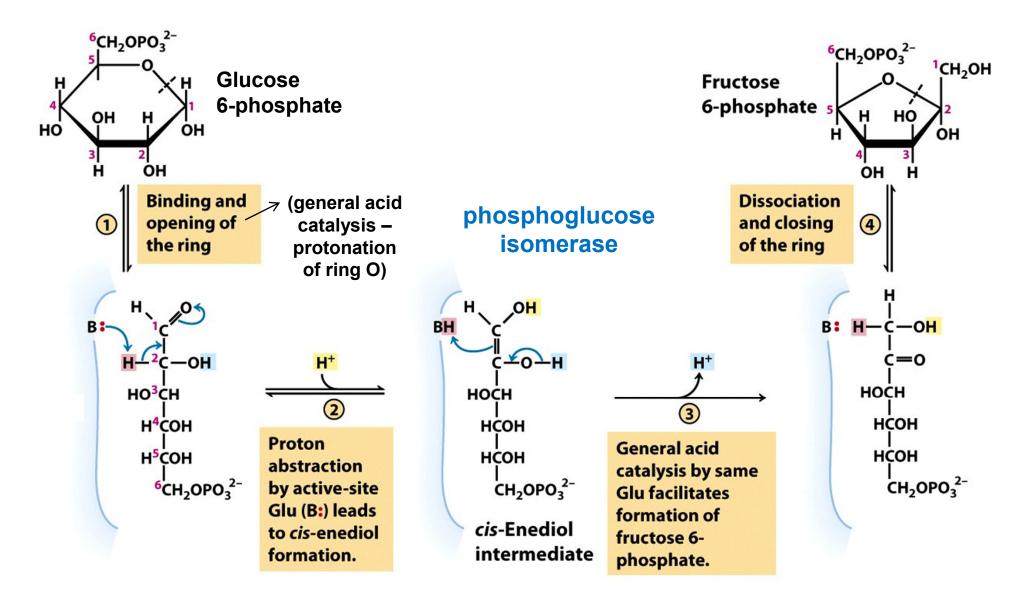
Glucose 6-phosphate

Fructose 6-phosphate

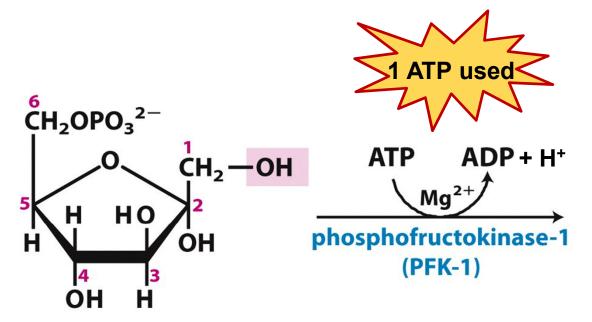
Moving the carbonyl to C2 prepares the molecule for cleavage in step 4

$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = 1.7 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

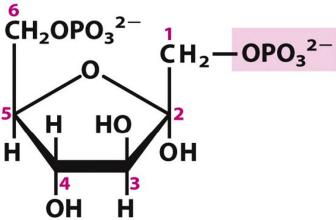
General acid-base catalysis promotes isomerization via an enediol intermediate



Step 3: PFK catalyzes the second phosphoryl transfer from ATP



Further 'activates' the sugar



Fructose 6-phosphate

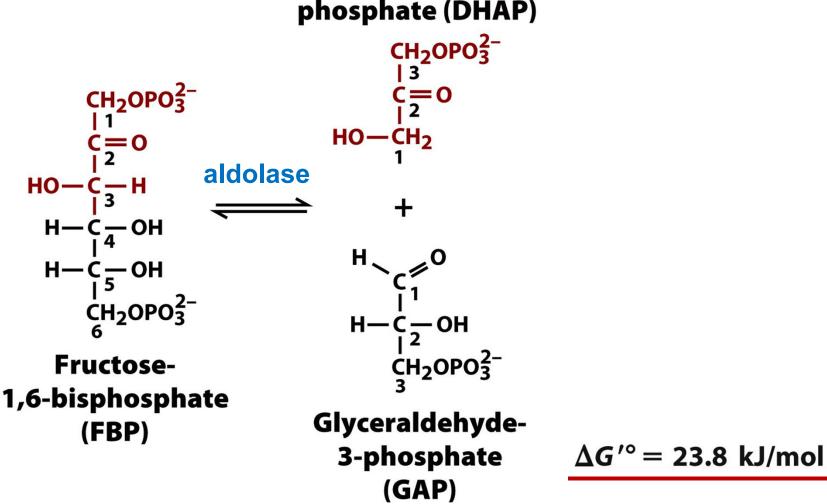
- This step 'commits' the hexose to being broken down
- Phosphorylations become even: at both ends of the molecule

Fructose 1,6-bisphosphate

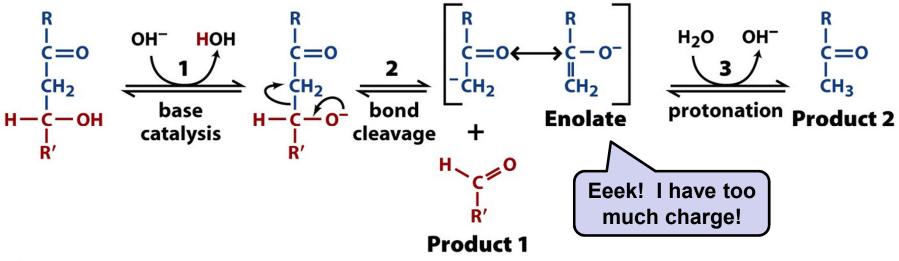
$$\Delta G'^{\circ} = -14.2 \text{ kJ/mol}$$

Step 4: Aldolase catalyzes the aldol cleavage of the hexose into 2 trioses

Dihydroxyacetone phosphate (DHAP)

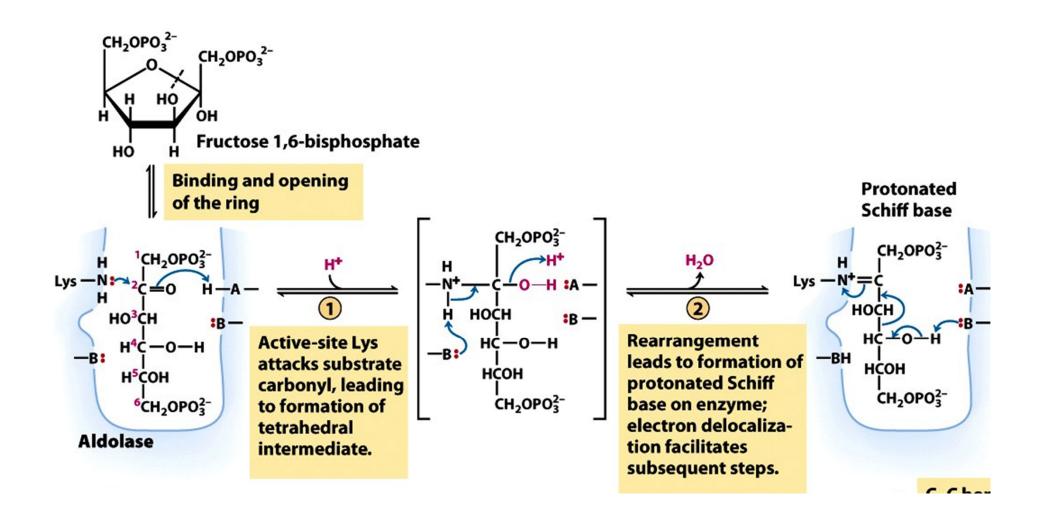


(Non-enzymatic) base-catalyzed aldol cleavage forms an unstable enolate intermediate



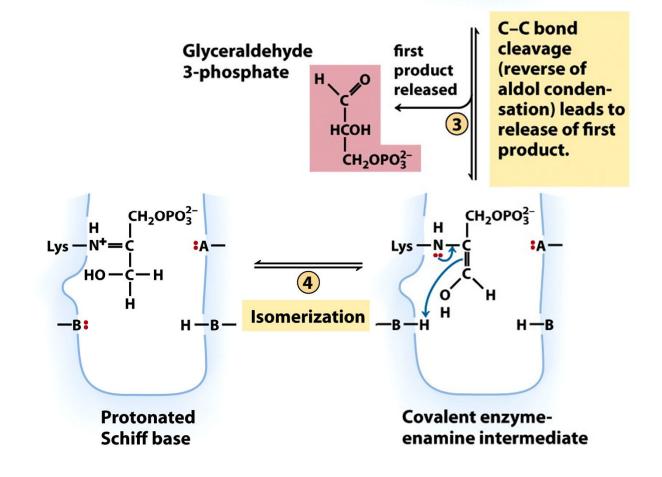
Aldolase promotes the reaction by forming a Schiff base instead:

Schiff base formation on aldolase involves covalent and general acid-base catalysis

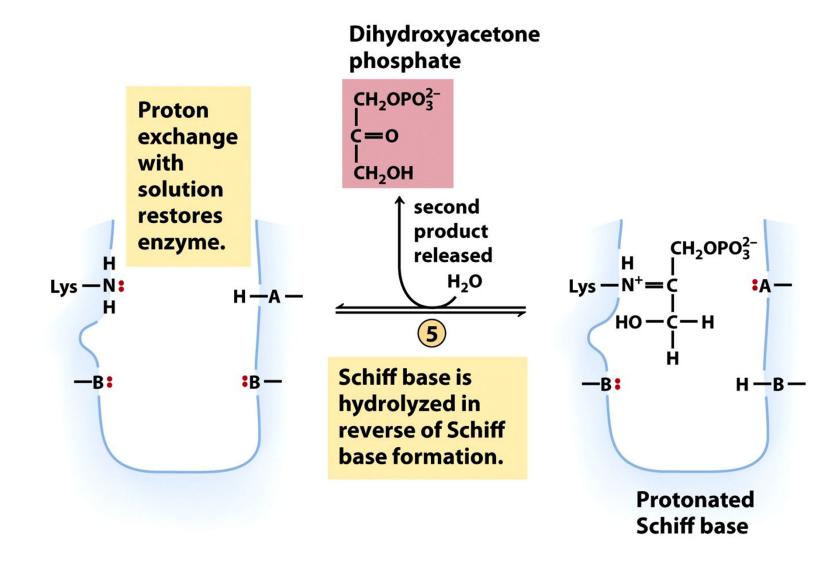


Protonated Schiff base

General acid-base catalysis and electron-poor Schiff base promote cleavage

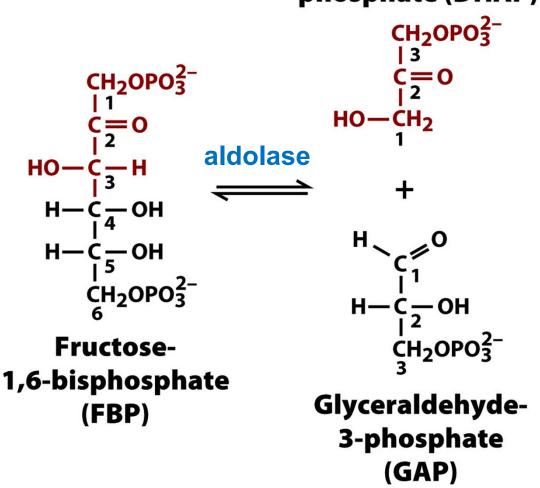


Aldolase releases 2nd product by reversing Schiff-base formation reactions

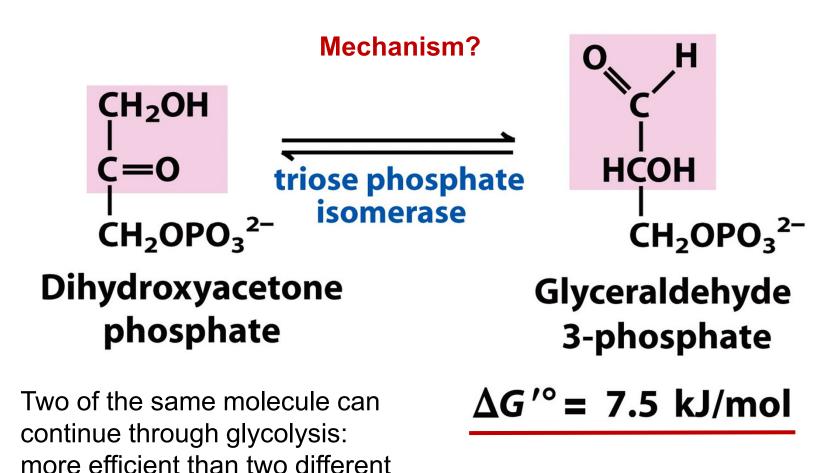


2 trioses result from aldolase cleavage because hexose carbonyl is at C2

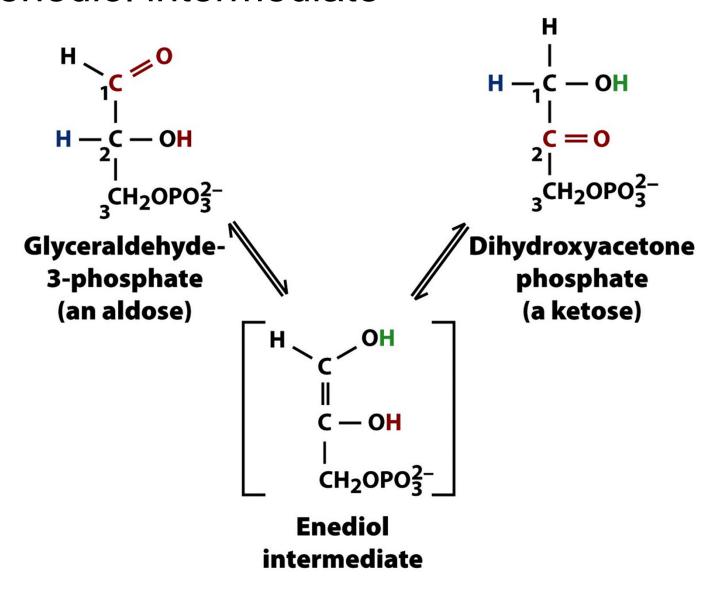
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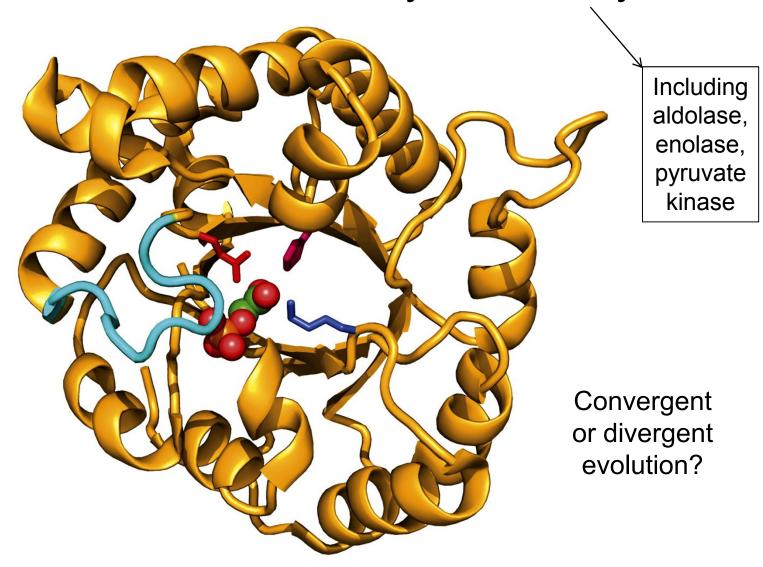
Triose phosphate isomerase interconverts the products of the aldolase reaction



Aldose-ketose isomerization occurs through an enediol intermediate



Triose phosphate isomerase (TIM) has a 'TIM barrel' fold, as do many other enzymes



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