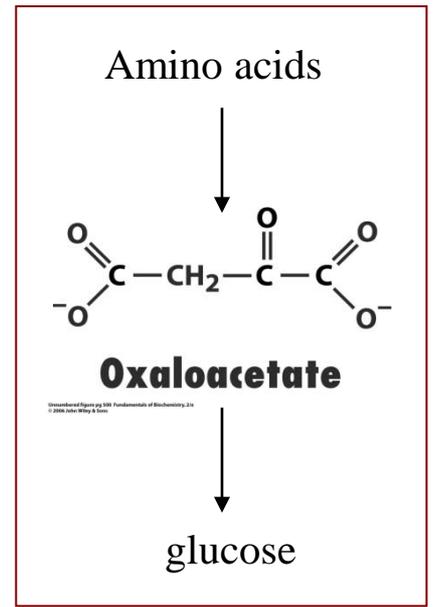


**Chapter 3-II:**  
Glycogen Metabolism and  
Gluconeogenesis

# Gluconeogenesis

Glucose synthesis from Lactate, pyruvate, citric acid cycle intermediates, carbon skeletons of amino acids, but not from acetyl-CoA  
In liver (lesser in kidney cortex)



Liver glycogen depletion during fasting

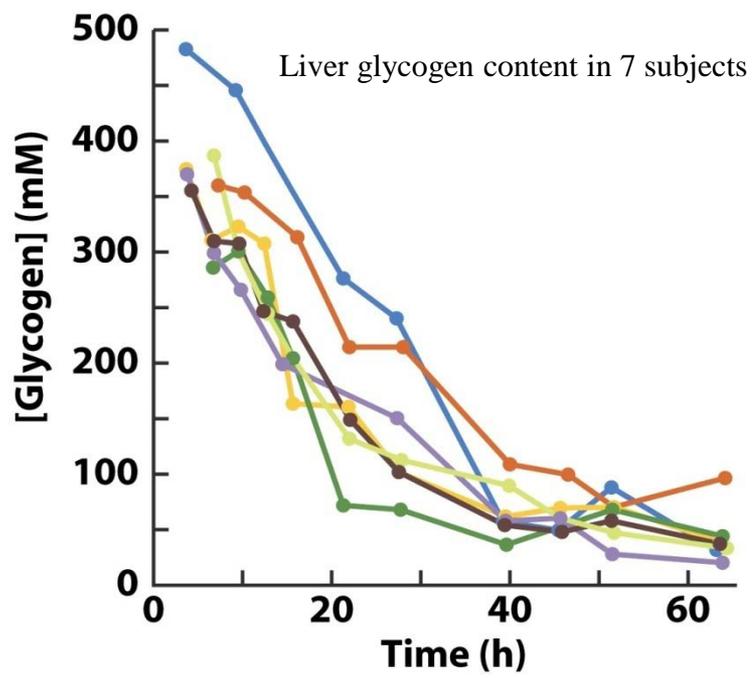


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# Far-equilibrium steps of glycolysis are bypassed

- ↑ Glucose-6-phosphatase
- ↑ Fructose bisphosphatase
- ↑ Phosphoenol pyruvate carboxykinase (PEPCK)
- ↑ Pyruvate carboxylase

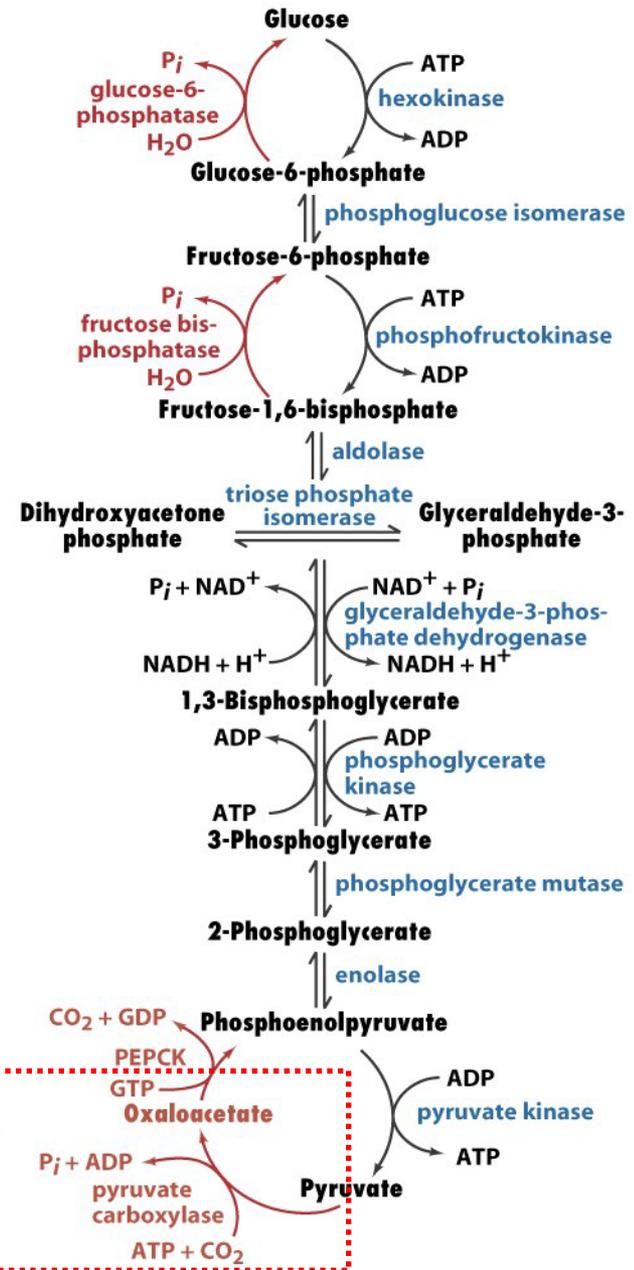
Occur in mitochondria & cytosol

**Table 14-1**  $\Delta G^{\circ'}$  and  $\Delta G$  for the Reactions of Glycolysis in Heart Muscle<sup>a</sup>

Reaction	Enzyme	$\Delta G^{\circ'}$ (kJ · mol <sup>-1</sup> )	$\Delta G$ (kJ · mol <sup>-1</sup> )
1	Hexokinase	-20.9	-27.2
2	PGI	+2.2	-1.4
3	PFK	-17.2	-25.9
4	Aldolase	+22.8	-5.9
5	TIM	+7.9	~0
6 + 7	GAPDH + PGK	-16.7	-1.1
8	PGM	+4.7	-0.6
9	Enolase	-3.2	-2.4
10	PK	-23.0	-13.9

<sup>a</sup>Calculated from data in Newsholme, E.A. and Start, C., *Regulation in Metabolism*, p. 97, Wiley (1973).

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mitochondria ←

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# Pyruvate carboxylase

mitochondrial enzyme, tetramer of ~1160 a.a. subunits  
 dehydration of bicarbonate to transfer CO<sub>2</sub> to pyruvate  
 oxaloacetate is a kind of activated pyruvate at the expense of ATP

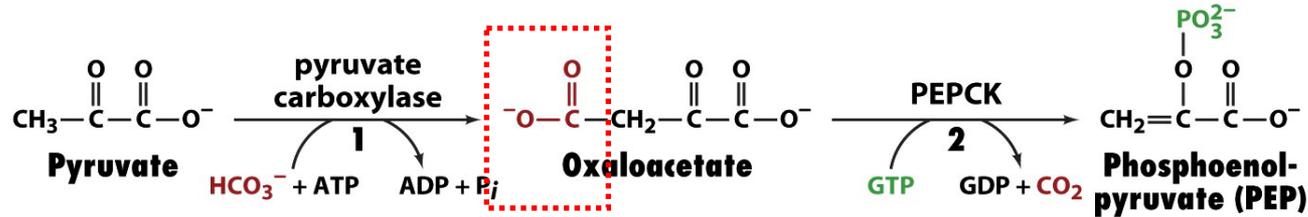


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## Biotin prosthetic group

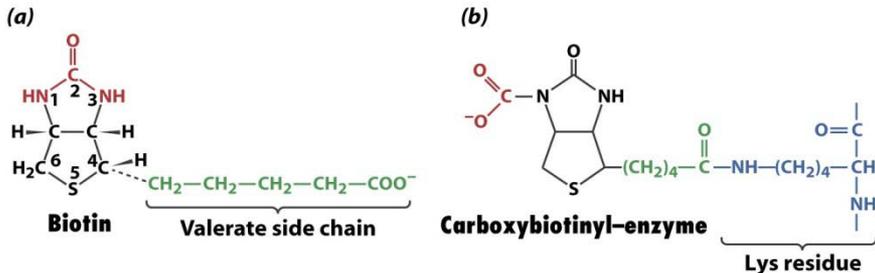


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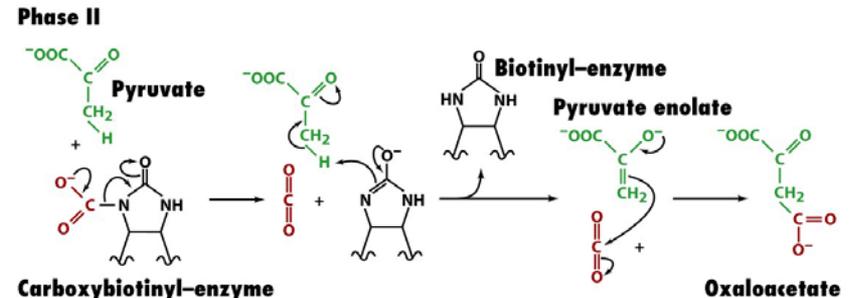
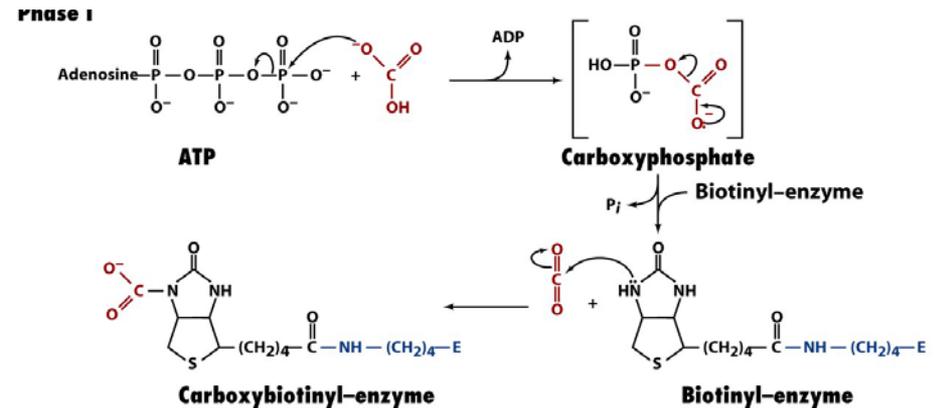


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# PEPCK

Monomer of ~610 residues

Variable in location (mito or cytosol): equal distribution in human  
GTP requiring decarboxylation/phosphorylation of oxaloacetate

PEPCK-C mouse

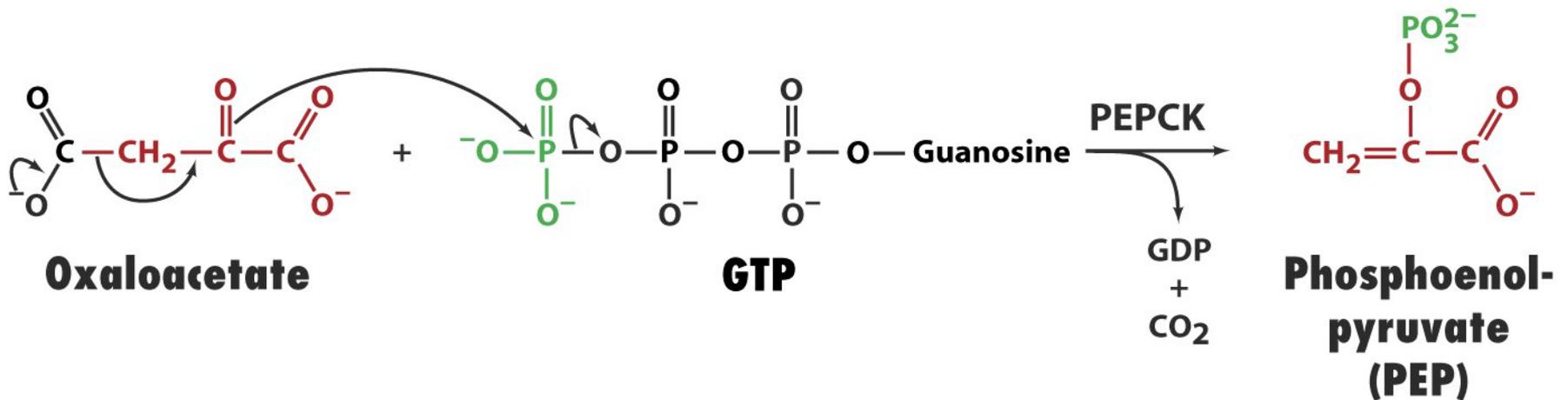


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# Metabolite transport between mitochondria and cytosol

PEP through transport proteins

Oxaloacetate transport (cytosolic PEPCCK species): malate-aspartate shuttle

aspartate aminotransferase route (route 1)

malate route (route 2): involve the transport of NADH reducing equivalents

Both pathways are freely reversible:

NADH for gluconeogenesis in cytosol

NADH for ETC in mitochondria

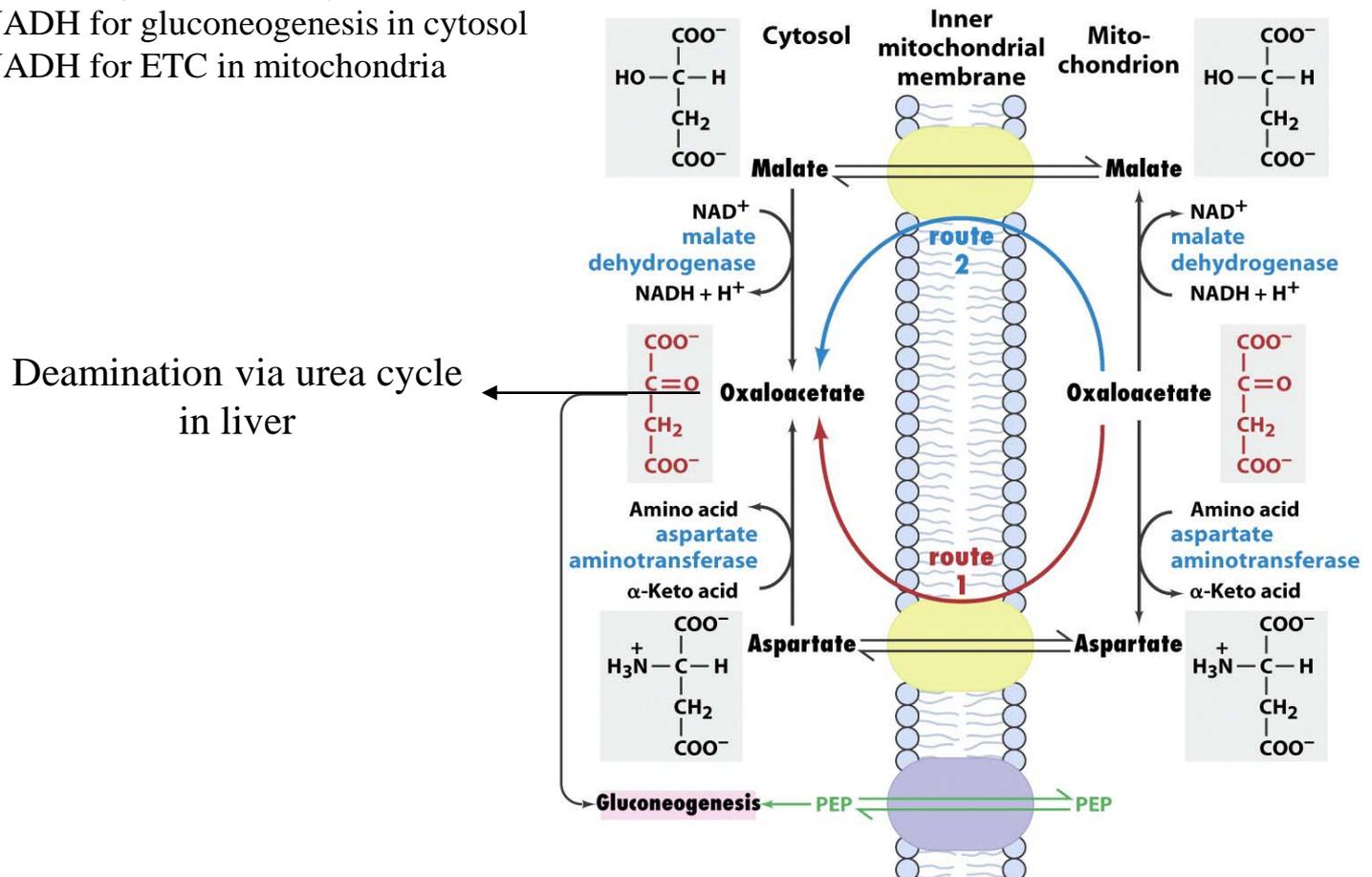


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# Hydrolytic reactions

Glucose-6-phosphatase  
Fructose biphosphatase

## The net energetic cost of gluconeogenesis

6 ATP equivalents: try calculation

## Regulation of gluconeogenesis

Reciprocal regulation of glycolysis and gluconeogenesis

3 potential points for regulation



3 substrate cycles

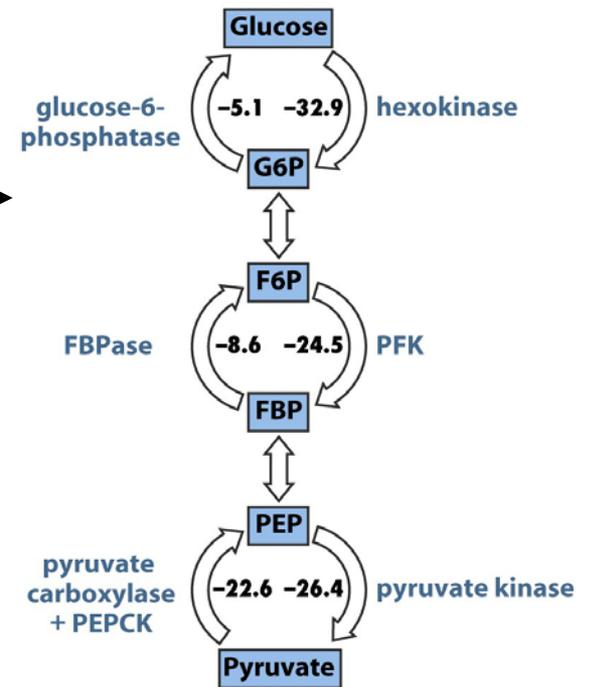


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# Fructose-2,6-bisphosphate

Extremely potent allosteric effector

Activate PFK, inhibits FBPase

Synthesis and degradation by a bifunctional two domain protein

PFK-2/FBPase-2

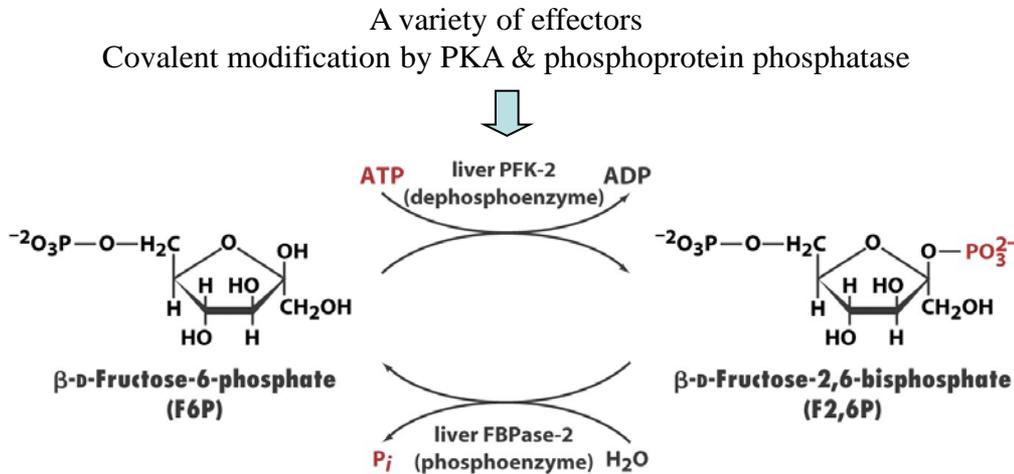


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In muscle (not a gluconeogenic tissue)

Different PFK-2/FBPase-2 isozymes

Ex. Heart & skeletal muscle

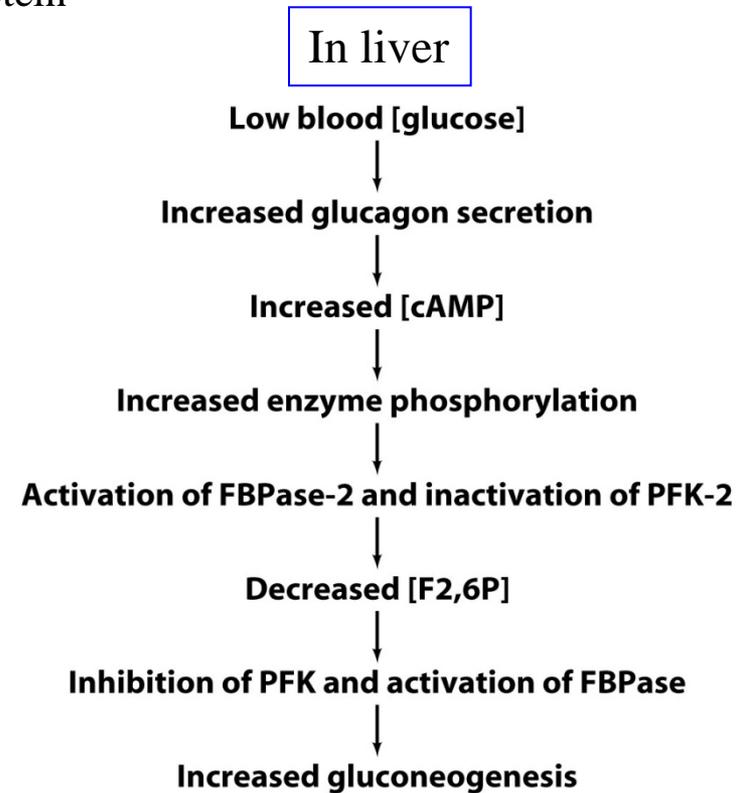


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## Other allosteric effectors influence gluconeogenic flux

Pyruvate carboxylase: activated by Acetyl-CoA

PEPCK: no known allosteric effector

Pyruvate kinase: allosteric inhibition in liver by alanine  
inactivation by phosphorylation

Hexokinase

Glucose-6-phosphatase

Transamination of alanine (a major gluconeogenic precursor)

