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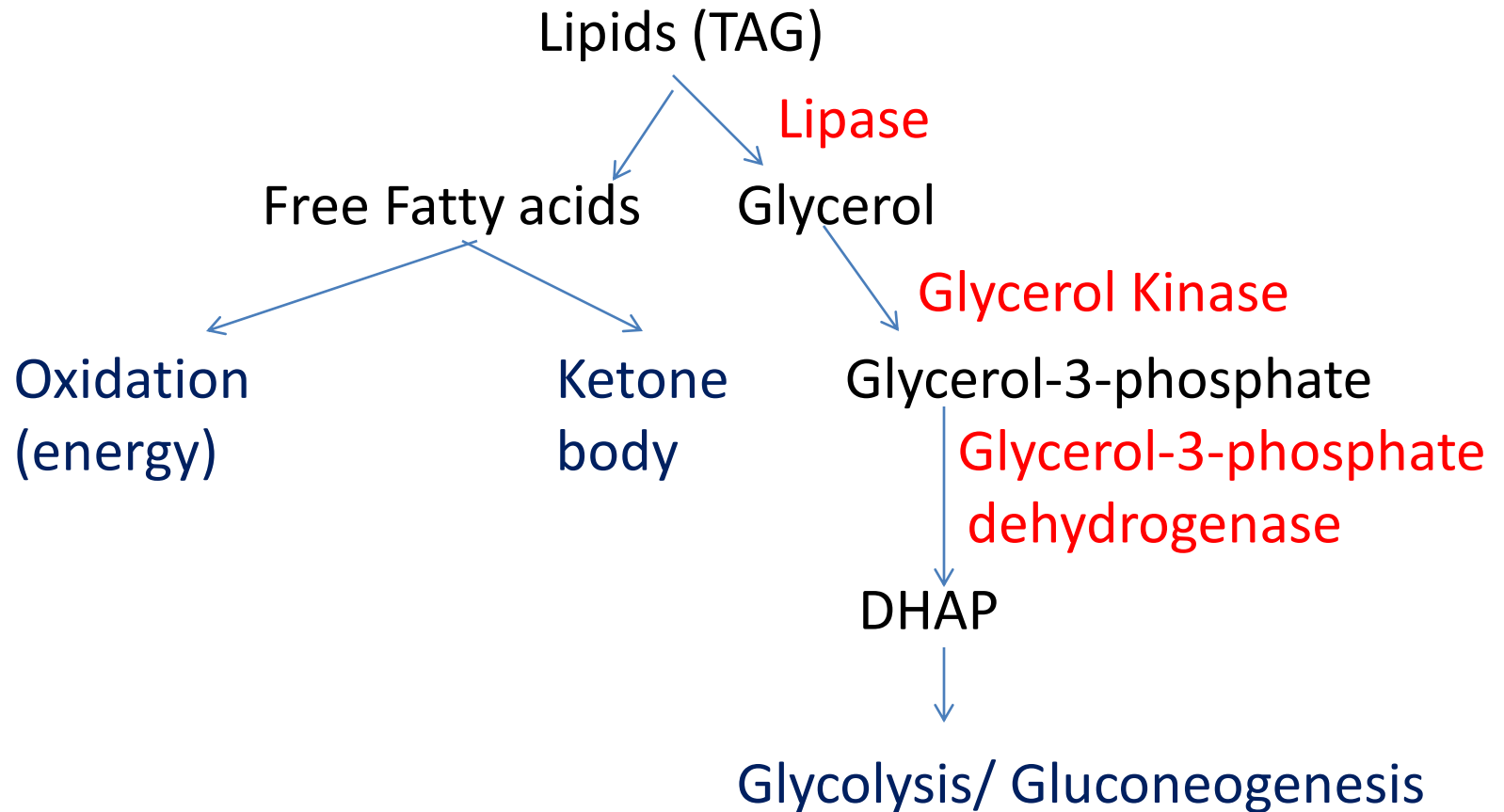
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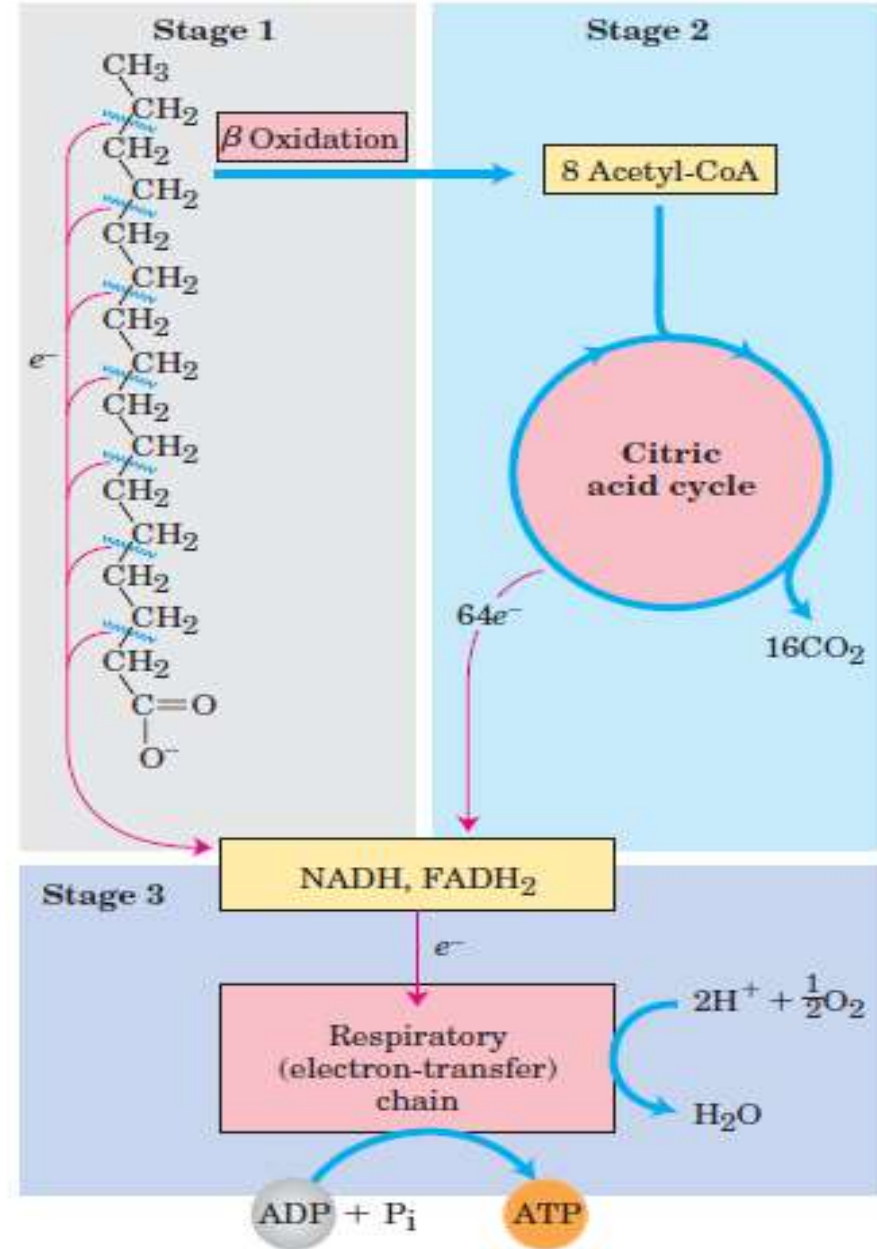
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# Lipid digestion



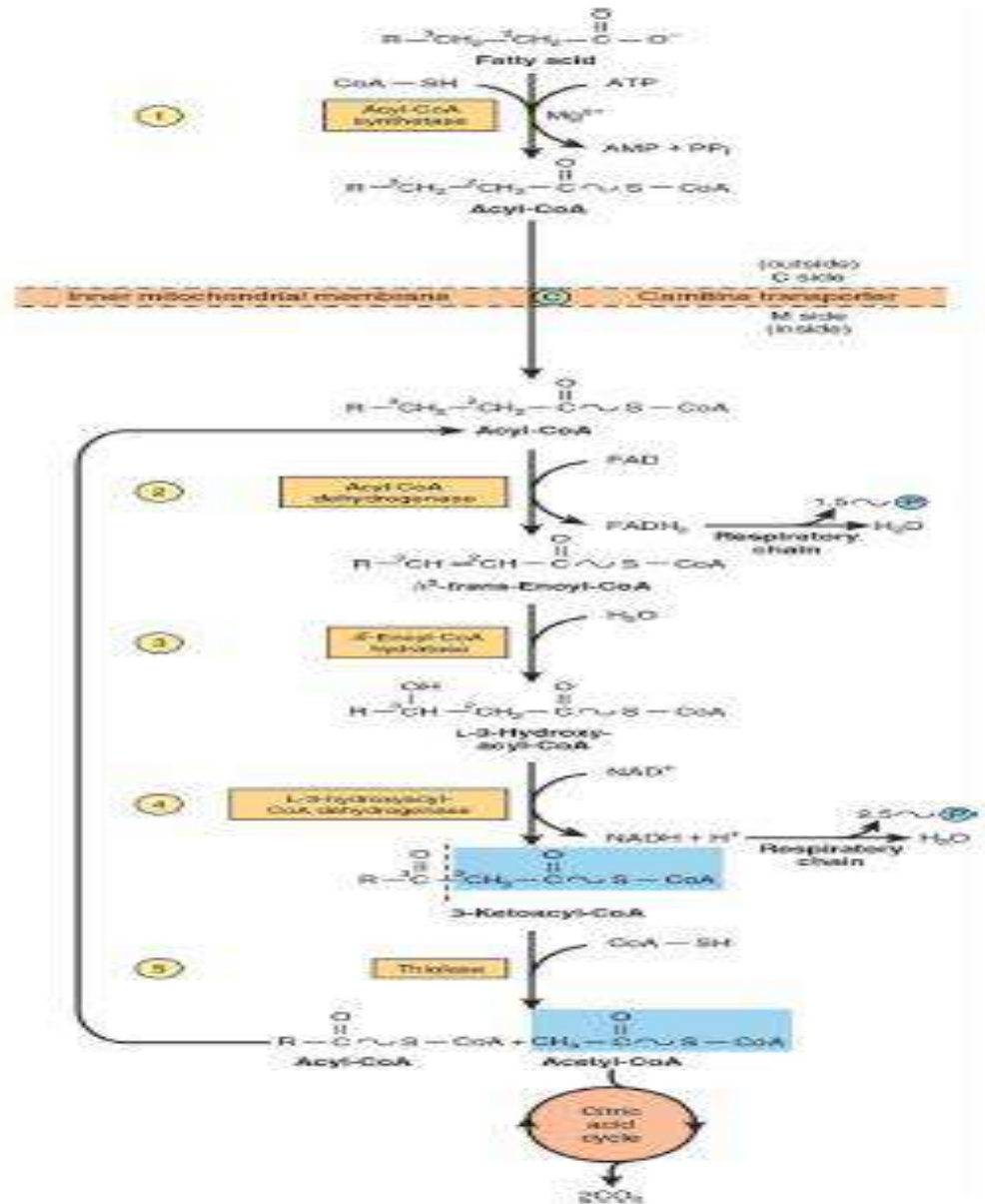
# Fatty acid degradation

- The complete oxidation of fatty acids to  $\text{CO}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  takes place in three stages:
  - Oxidation of long-chain fatty acids to 2-C fragments, in the form of acetyl-CoA ( $\beta$  oxidation)
  - Oxidation of acetyl-CoA to  $\text{CO}_2$  in the citric acid cycle
  - Transfer of electrons from reduced electron carriers to the mitochondrial respiratory chain

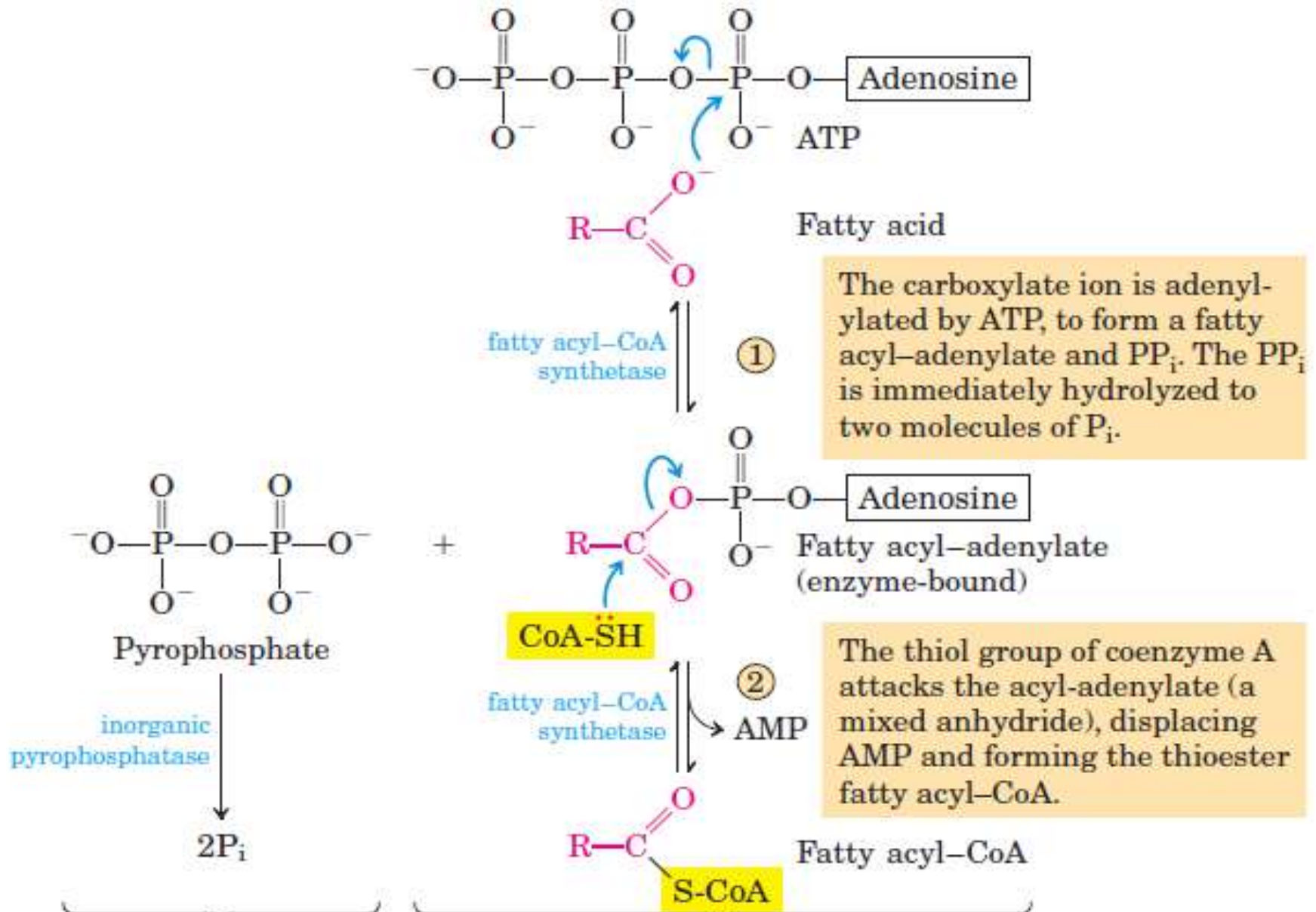


# $\beta$ -Oxidation of fatty acids

- $\beta$ -oxidation is a mitochondrial pathway in which 2-C fragments are successively removed from the carboxyl end of the fatty acyl CoA, producing acetyl CoA, NADH, and  $\text{FADH}_2$

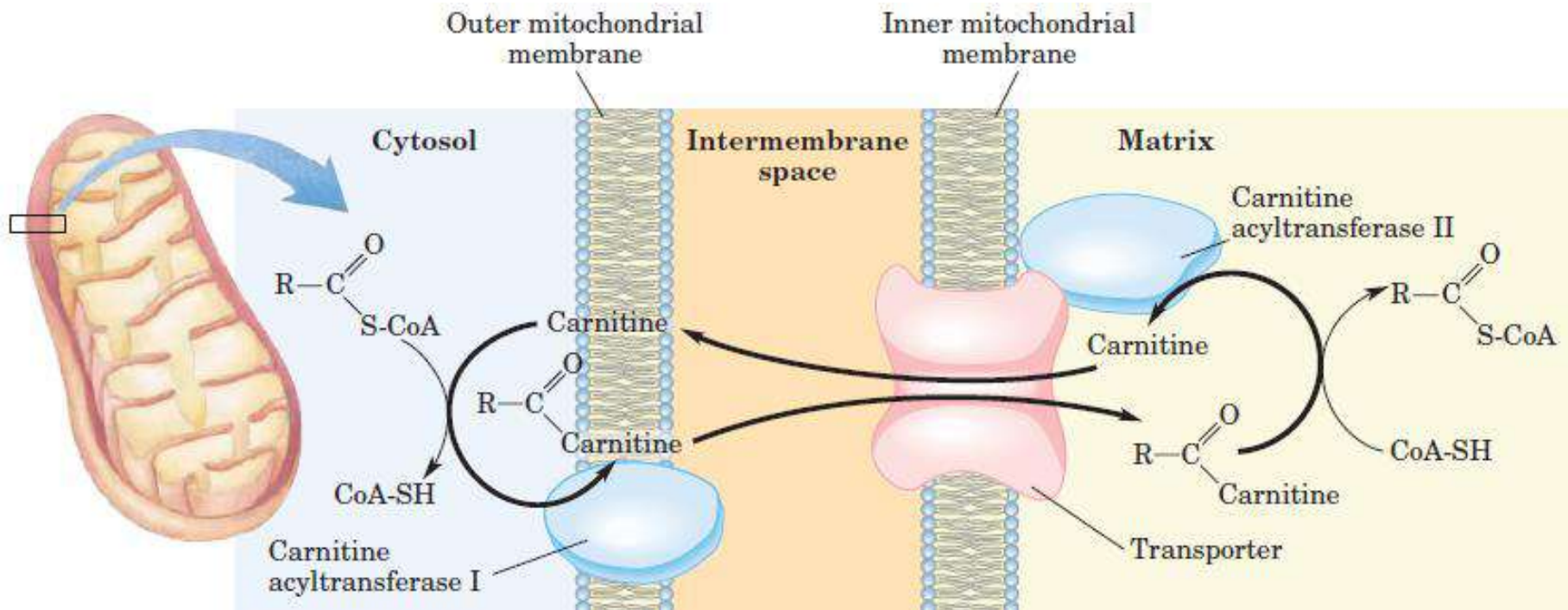


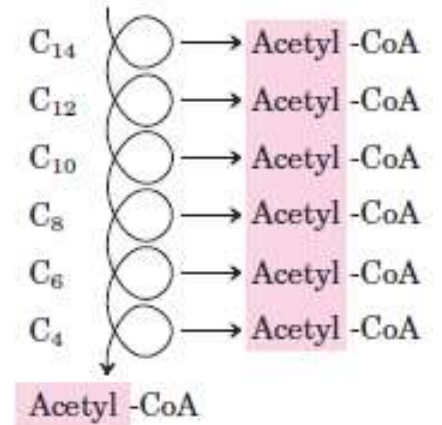
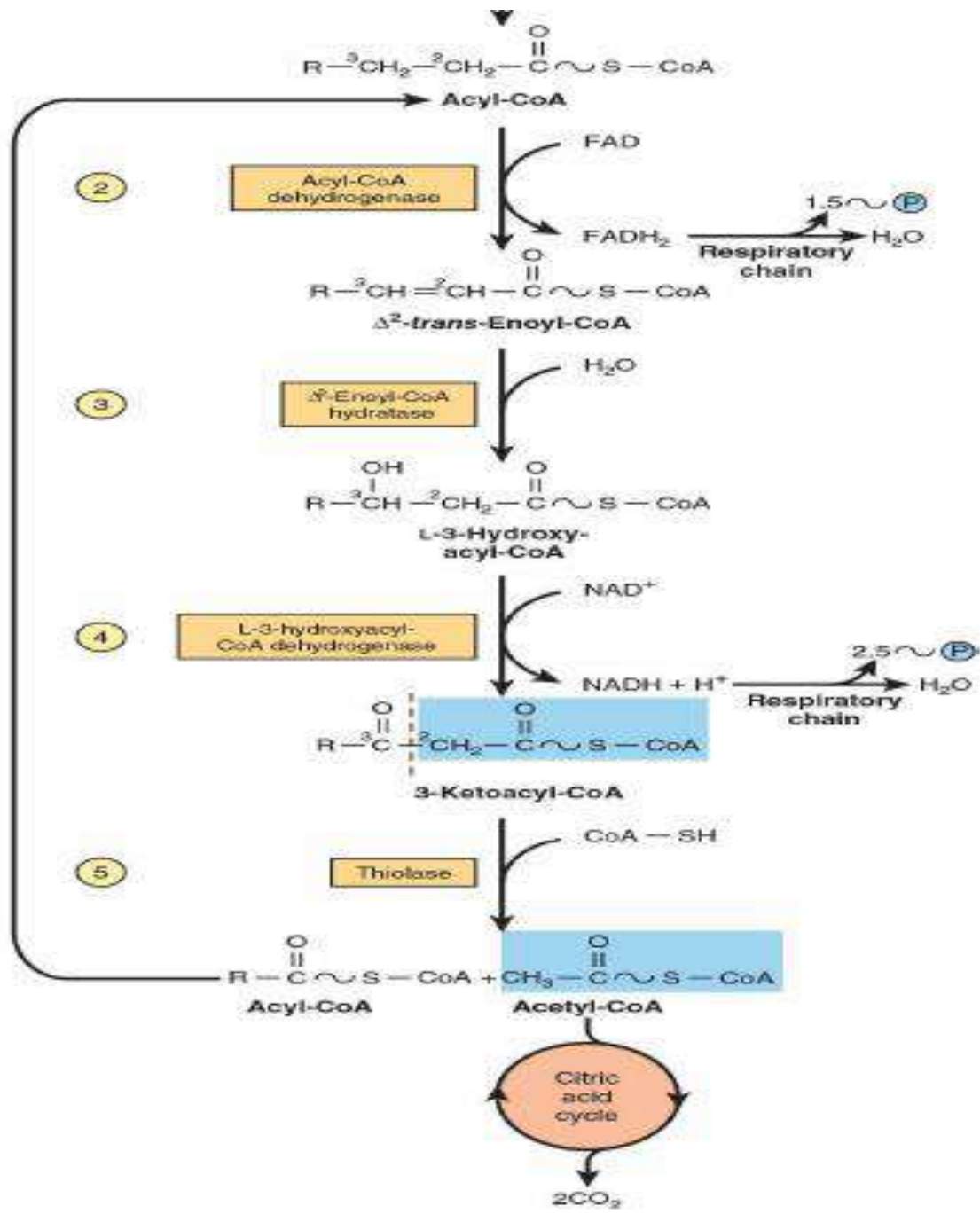
- Conversion of a fatty acid to a fatty acyl-CoA.



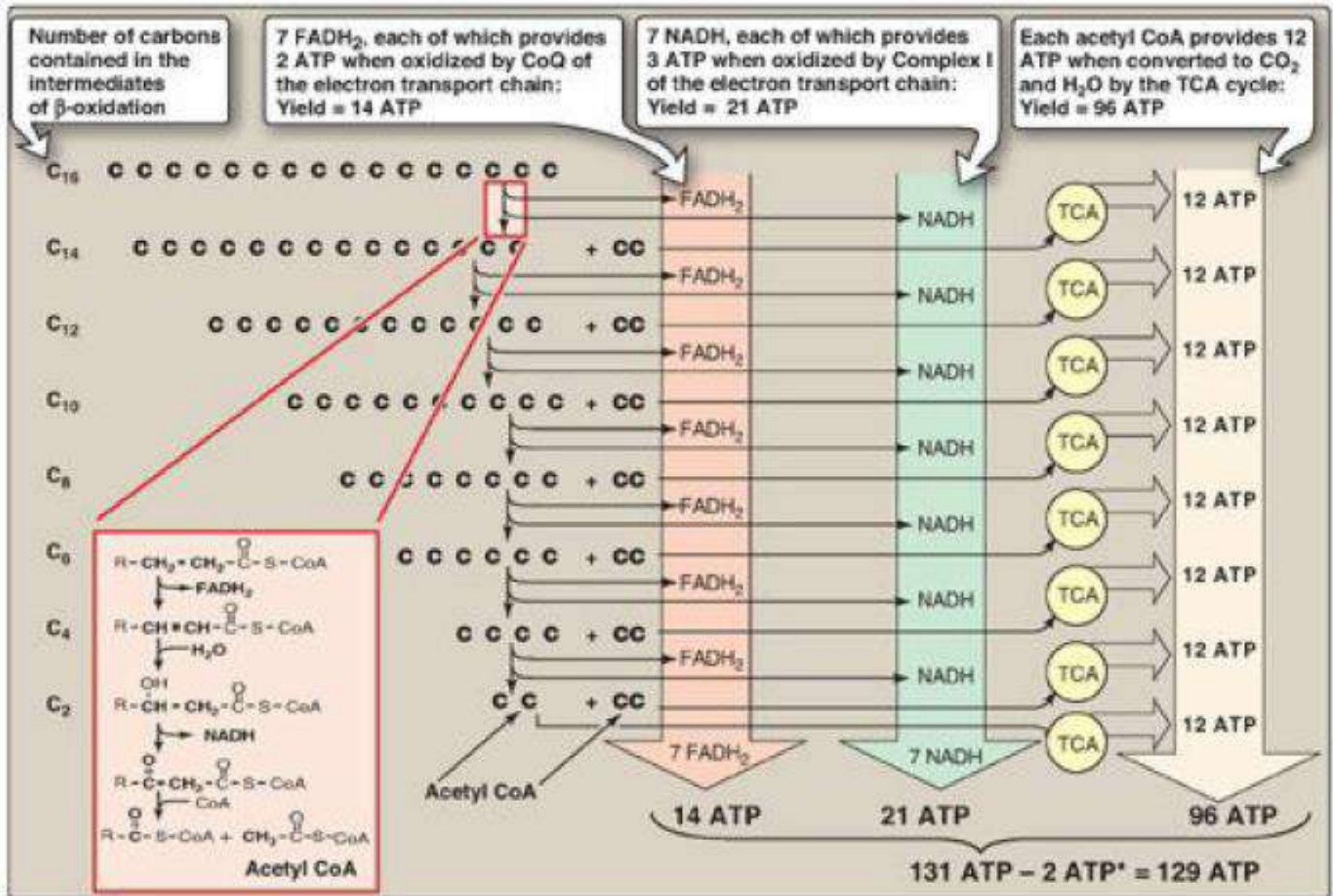
# Carnitine shuttle

- Transport of Acyl CoA from cytosol to mitochondrial matrix



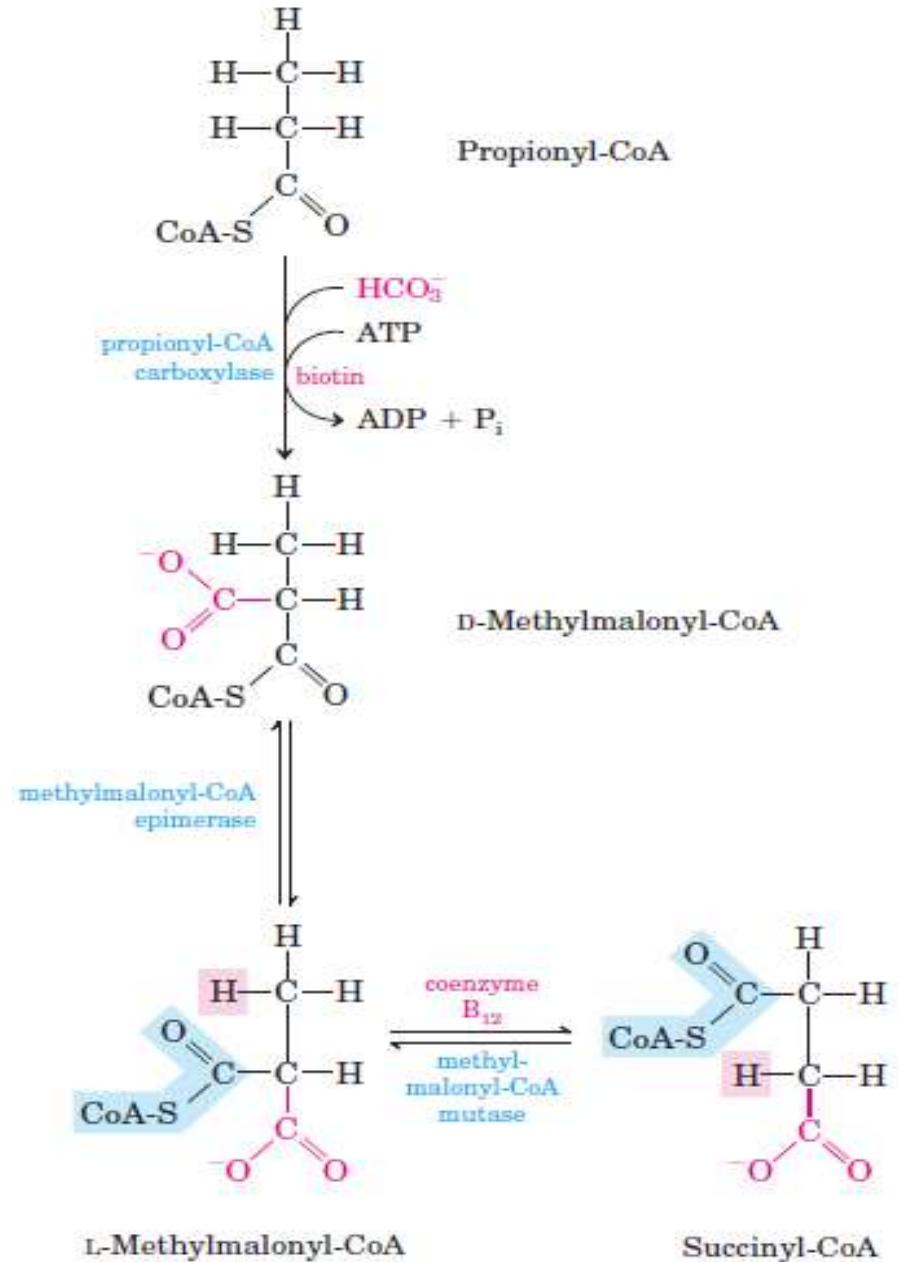


- Energy yield in  $\beta$ -Oxidation of palmitic acid



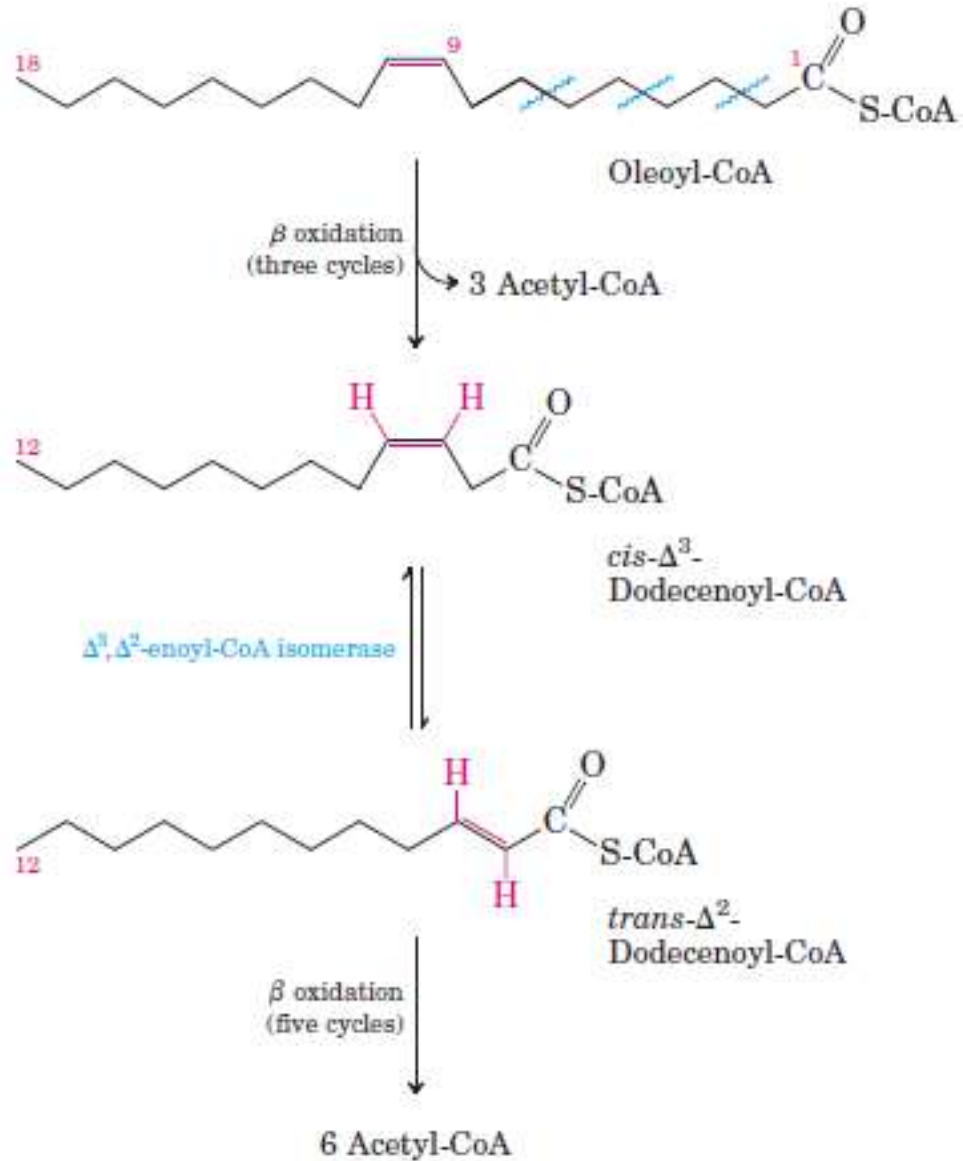
# $\beta$ -Oxidation of saturated odd-carbon fatty acid

- Produces acetyl CoA and propionyl CoA at the end
- Oxidation of propionyl-CoA forms Succinyl CoA that is an intermediate of the TCA cycle

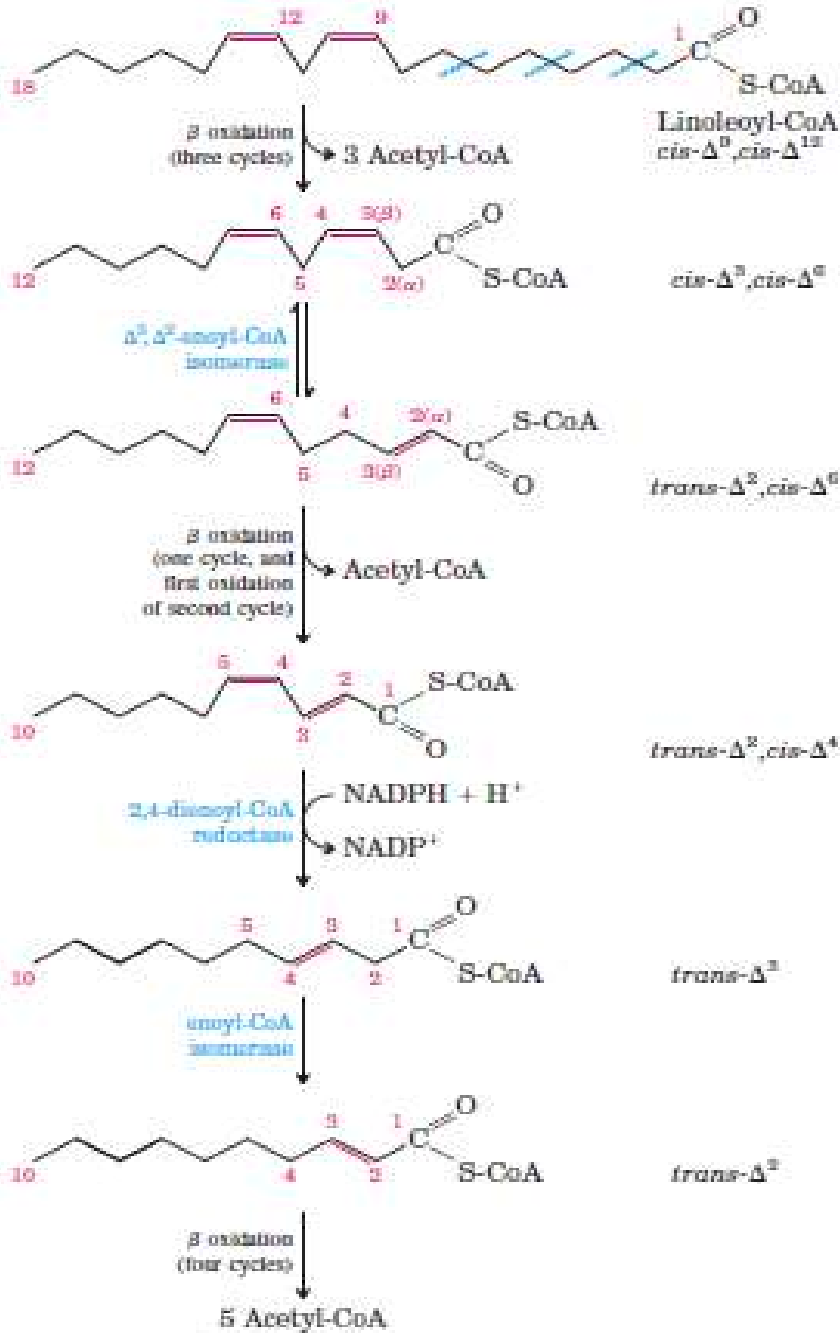




- Oxidation of a monounsaturated fatty acid.

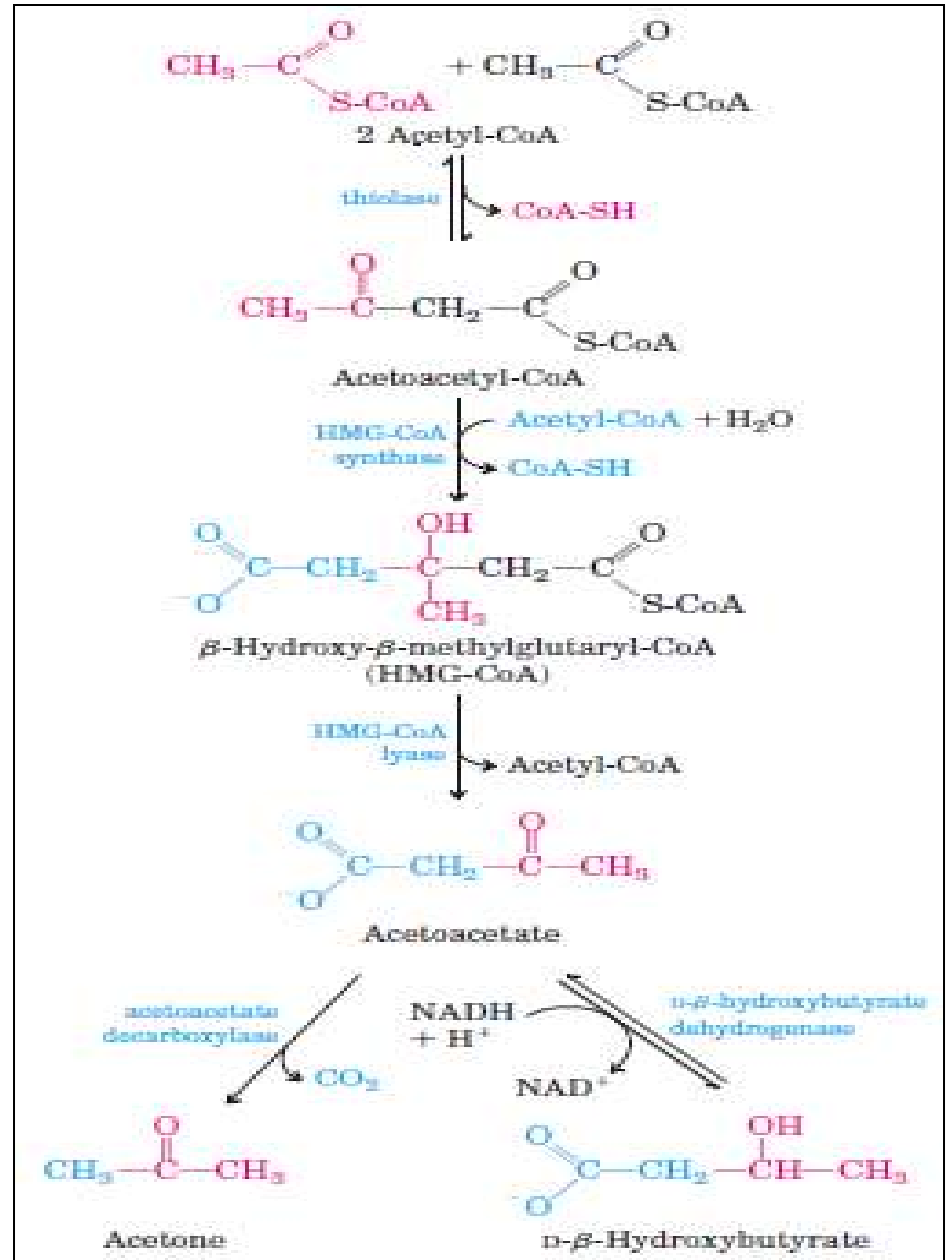


# Oxidation of a polyunsaturated fatty acid



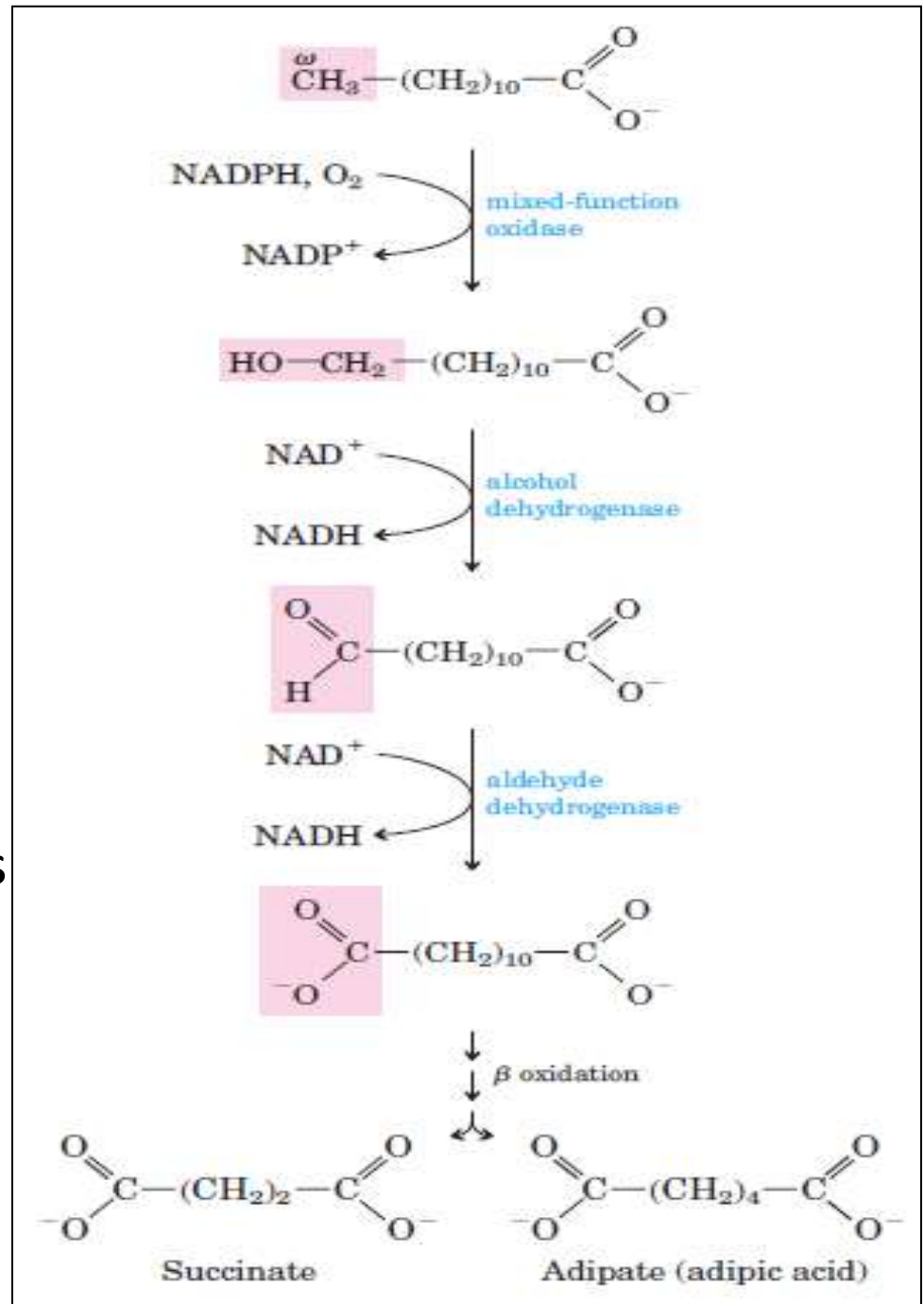
# Formation of Ketone Bodies

- Acetoacetate, d-3-hydroxybutyrate and acetone are ketone bodies.



# $\omega$ - oxidation

- Oxidation of the  $\omega$  (omega) carbon—the carbon most distant from the carboxyl group.
- Enzymes are located in the endoplasmic reticulum of liver and kidney,
- Preferred substrates are fatty acids of 10 or 12 carbon atoms



# $\alpha$ -oxidation

- For branched chain fatty acids
- These are not substrates for acyl CoA dehydrogenase because of the methyl group on its  $\beta$ -carbon

