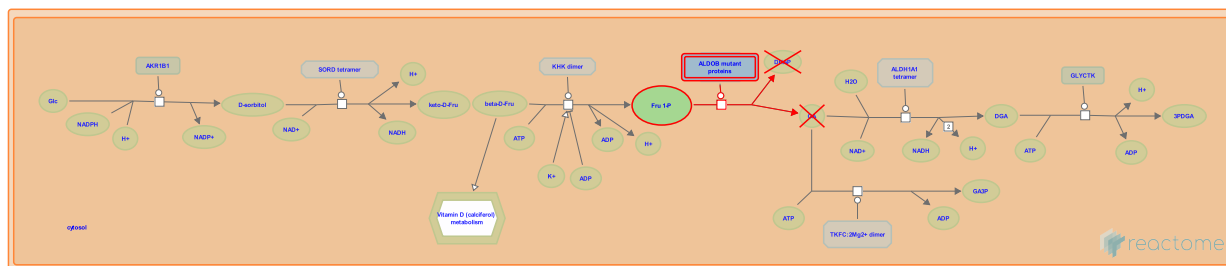


# Hereditary fructose intolerance



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## Introduction

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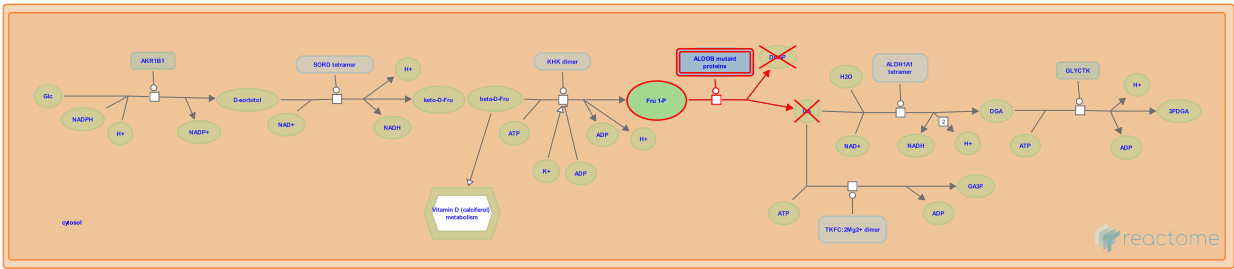
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Hereditary fructose intolerance

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Diseases: hereditary fructose intolerance syndrome



Deficiencies in aldolase B arising from mutations in the aldolase B gene (ALDOB) prevent the cleavage of fructose 1-phosphate to glyceraldehyde (GA) and dihydroxyacetone phosphate (DHAP), leading to hereditary fructose intolerance (HFI). This autosomal recessive disorder is potentially fatal, but can be managed by exclusion of fructose from the diet (Cox et al. 1988; Tolan 1995).

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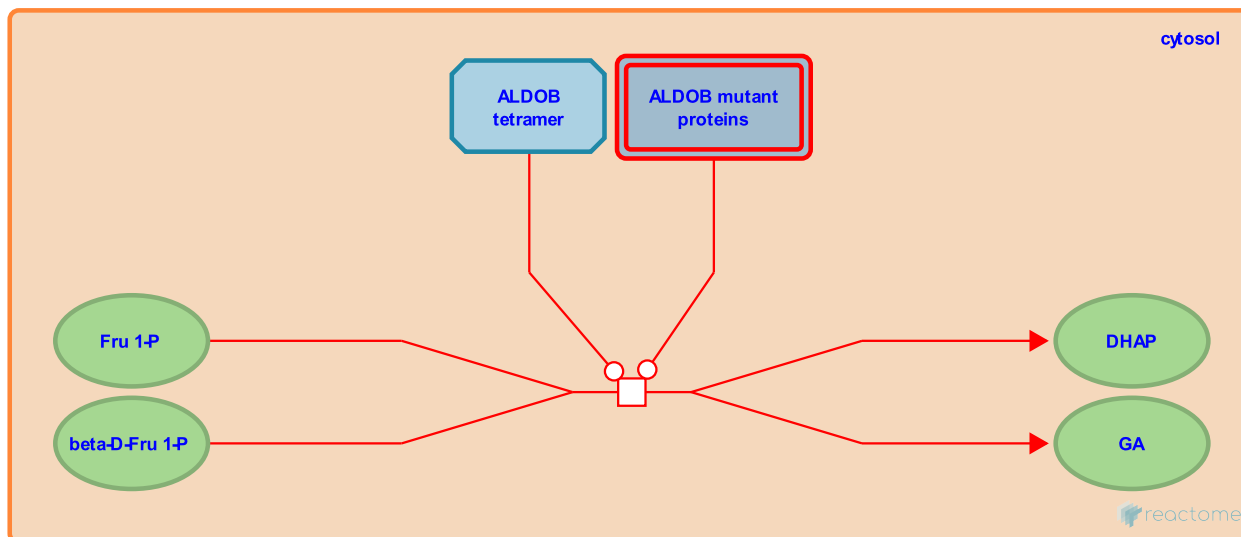
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Mutations in ALDOB that cause deficiency of aldolase B block the cleavage of fructose 1-phosphate (Fru 1-P) to glyceraldehyde (GA) and dihydroxyacetone phosphate (DHAP) and cause hereditary fructose intolerance (HFI). The links between the enzyme deficiency and pathology are unclear at present, but may involve depletion of the cellular phosphate pool and increased levels of Fru 1-P (Oberhaensli et al, 1987; Bouteldja & Timson, 2010). Affected individuals can develop severe hypoglycemia, lactic acidosis, and other metabolic abnormalities when fed fructose; the disease can be effectively managed by complete exclusion of fructose from the diet. A large number of ALDOB variants have been described in affected individuals (e.g. Tolan 1995); the two missense mutant alleles annotated here are the most common (53% of those with HFI have one of these alleles) (Cross et al. 1988; Cross et al. 1990; Coffee et al. 2010), and encode full length aldolase B proteins whose catalytic activity is sharply reduced due to considerable loss of stability (Malay et al., 2002; Malay et al. 2005; Rellos et al., 2000 - see also PDB structures 1XDL and 1XDM). Other less common variants, not annotated here, retain activities and thermal stabilities similar to the wild-type (Esposito et al, 2010). The physiological role of aldolase B has been established from metabolic and DNA sequencing studies of patients with HFI (Ali et al. 1998) and in a mouse model for this disease (Oppelt et al. 2015).

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