

Introduction

Reactome is open-source, open access, manually curated and peer-reviewed pathway database. Pathway annotations are authored by expert biologists, in collaboration with Reactome editorial staff and cross-referenced to many bioinformatics databases. A system of evidence tracking ensures that all assertions are backed up by the primary literature. Reactome is used by clinicians, geneticists, genomics researchers, and molecular biologists to interpret the results of high-throughput experimental studies, by bioinformaticians seeking to develop novel algorithms for mining knowledge from genomic studies, and by systems biologists building predictive models of normal and disease variant pathways.

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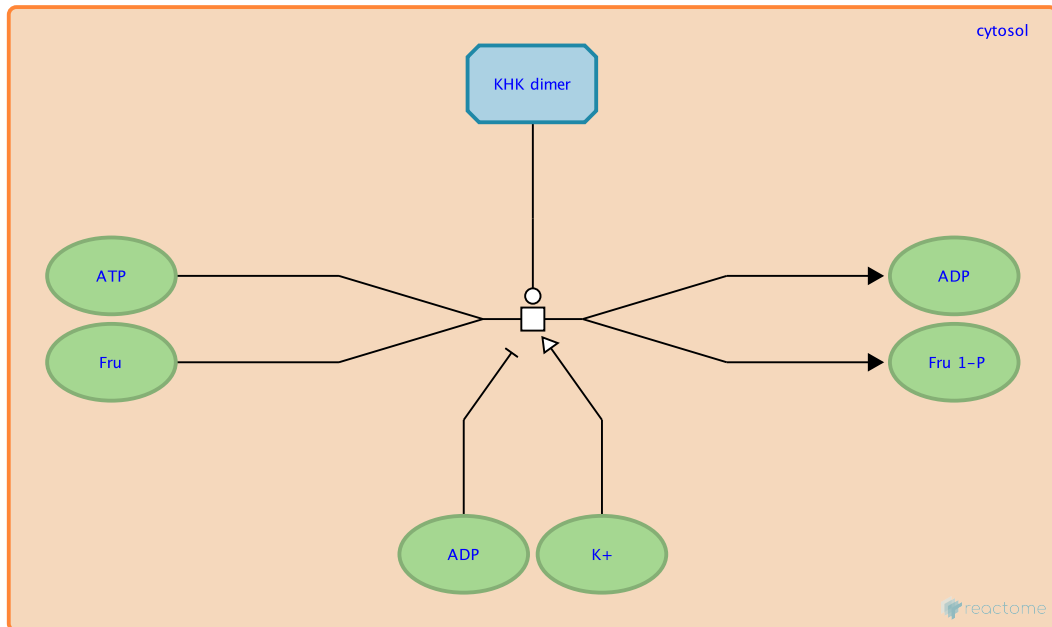
KHK dimer phosphorylates Fru to Fru 1-P ↗

Location: [Fructose catabolism](#)

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Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Cytosolic ketohexokinase (KHK, also known as fructokinase) catalyzes the reaction of D-fructose (Fru) and ATP to form D-fructose 1-phosphate (Fru 1-P) and ADP. Two isoforms of the enzyme, A and C, are encoded by alternatively spliced forms of the gene; both form catalytically active dimers. The C isoform is predominant in liver and kidney tissues, has high affinity for fructose, and is probably responsible for the bulk of fructose phosphorylation in vivo (Asipu et al. 2003; Trinh et al. 2009). The A isoform is found in lower levels in many other tissues and may serve a role in fructose metabolism outside of liver and kidney (Funari et al. 2005). The physiological role of KHK has been established from metabolic and DNA sequencing studies of patients with essential fructosuria (Bonthon et al. 1994) and in mouse models for this disease (Diggle et al. 2010; Ishimoto et al. 2012).

Followed by: [ALDOB tetramer cleaves Fru-1-P to GA and DHAP](#)

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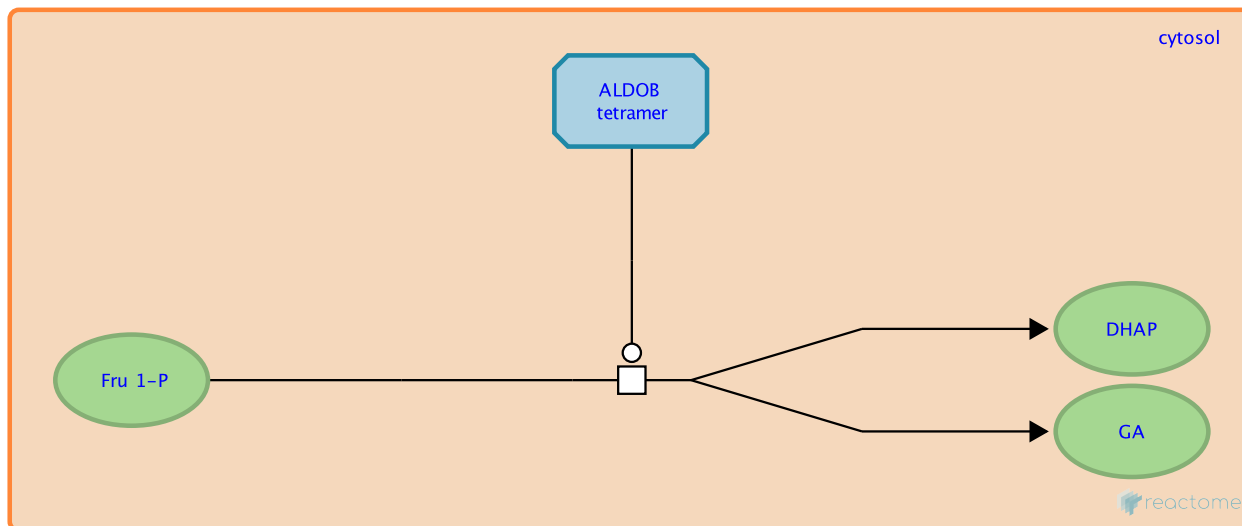
ALDOB tetramer cleaves Fru-1-P to GA and DHAP ↗

Location: [Fructose catabolism](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-70342

Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Cytosolic aldolase B (ALDOB) catalyzes the reaction of D-fructose 1-phosphate (Fru 1-P) to form dihydroxyacetone phosphate (DHAP) and D-glyceraldehyde (GA) (Hers & Kusaka 1953; Schapira 1975). The active form of the enzyme is a tetramer (Dalby et al. 2001). Deficiencies in the enzyme are associated with hereditary fructose intolerance in vivo (e.g., Tolan 1995; Ali et al. 1998).

ALDOB is the same aldolase isoform that catalyzes the reversible cleavage of fructose-1,6-bisphosphate in glycolysis. This isoform, found in liver, kidney, and intestine, is approximately equally active with fructose 1 phosphate and fructose 1,6 bisphosphate as substrates at saturating concentrations, while the muscle and brain isoforms (ALDOA and ALDOC, respectively), have little activity with fructose-1-phosphate (Lebherz & Rutter 1969; Penhoet et al. 1969).

Preceded by: [KHK dimer phosphorylates Fru to Fru 1-P](#)

Followed by: [ALDH1A1 oxidises GA to DGA](#), [DAK dimer phosphorylates D-glyceraldehyde to form D-glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate](#)

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DAK dimer phosphorylates D-glyceraldehyde to form D-glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate

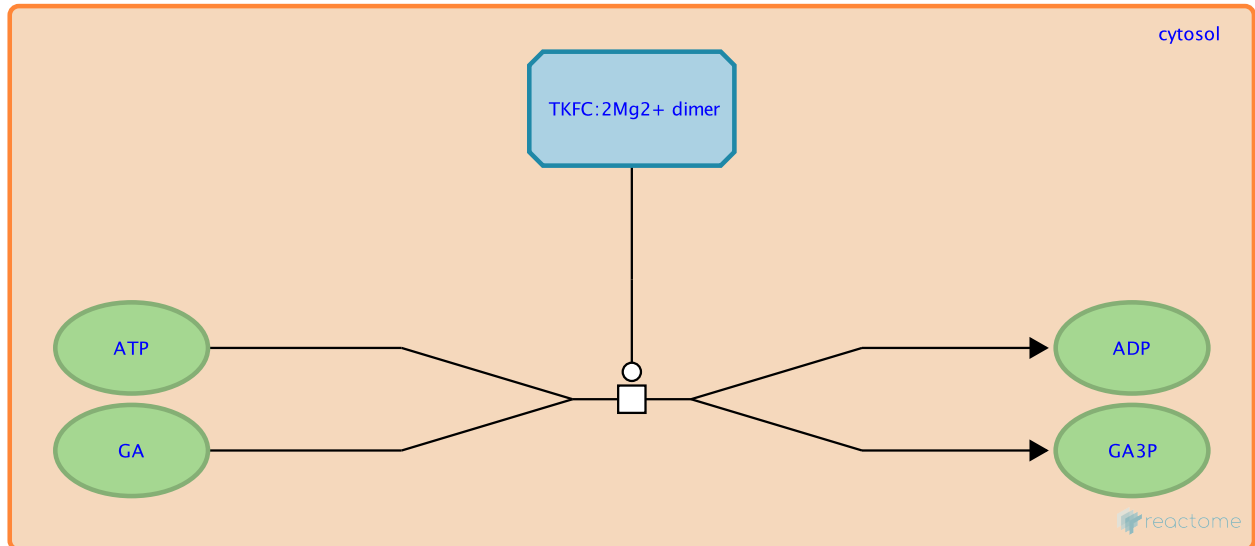


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Compartments: cytosol



Cytosolic dihydroxyacetone kinase (DAK) catalyzes the reaction of ATP and D-glyceraldehyde (GA) to form ADP and D-glyceraldehyde 3-phosphate (GA3P). This reaction was originally characterized in studies of guinea pig liver and human erythrocytes (Hers & Kusaka 1953; Beutler & Guinto 1973). The human enzyme has been cloned and studied (Cabezas et al. 2005; Rodrigues et al. 2014). DAK/TKFC also catalyzes the phosphorylation of dihydroxyacetone (DHA) to dihydroxyacetone phosphate (DHAP), not a necessary step in fructose catabolism, but possibly functional on exogenous DHA. Triokinase activities on GA and DHA require homodimeric enzyme formed by two-domain subunits, where triose binds to one subunit and ATP to the other, each in a different domain.

DAK/TKFC is a bifunctional enzyme which, besides the ATP/Mg-dependent phosphorylation of GA and DHA, also catalyses, in presence of Mn²⁺, a unisubstrate reaction splitting flavin-adenine dinucleotide (FAD) into riboflavin cyclic 4',5'-phosphate (cyclic FMN) and AMP (Cabezas et al. 2005; Rodrigues et al. 2014).

In addition, DAK/TKFC protein binds to MDA5 and acts as a negative regulator of MDA5-mediated induction of IFN- α /beta pathways (Diao et al. 2007). Potentially related to this TKFC effect are the observations that hepatic DAK/TKFC levels correlate with outcome in chronic hepatitis C patients treated with interferon (Perdomo et al. 2012), and that a DAK/TKFC serum peptide is a predictor of disease severity in hepatitis B patients (Xu et al. 2013).

Preceded by: [ALDOB tetramer cleaves Fru-1-P to GA and DHAP](#)

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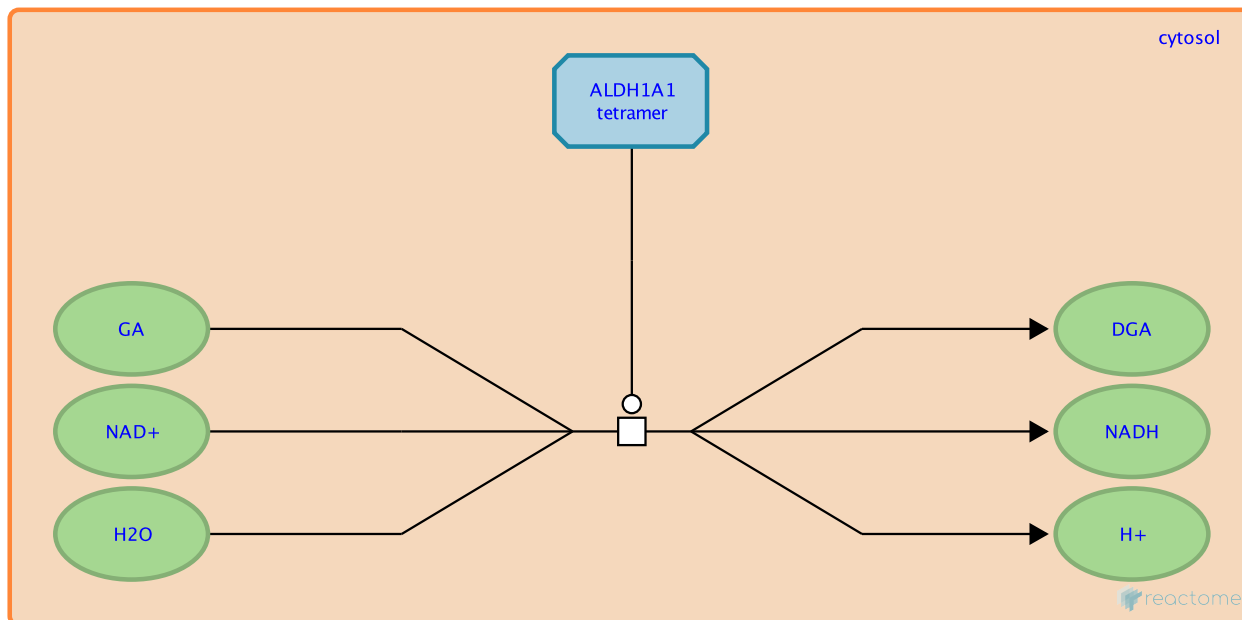
ALDH1A1 oxidises GA to DGA ↗

Location: [Fructose catabolism](#)

Stable identifier: R-HSA-6813749

Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



Retinal dehydrogenase 1 (ALDH1A1 tetramer) is a cytosolic aldehyde dehydrogenase that can oxidise glyceraldehyde (GA) to D-glycerate (DGA) (Yoval-Sanchez et al. 2013). DGA is a metabolite in a minor pathway of fructose catabolism and serine catabolism.

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Followed by: [GLYCTK phosphorylates DGA to 3PDGA](#)

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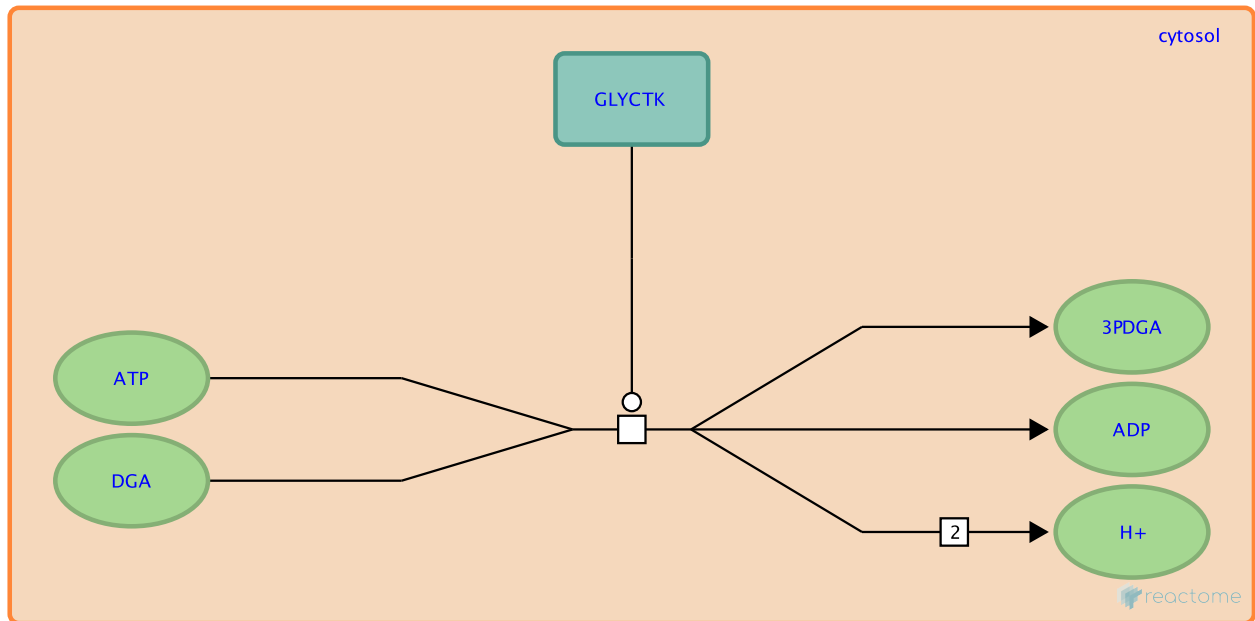
GLYCTK phosphorylates DGA to 3PDGA ↗

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Stable identifier: R-HSA-6799495

Type: transition

Compartments: cytosol



D-glyceric acid (DGA) is an intermediate of serine catabolism and of a minor pathway of fructose metabolism. The only known fate of DGA is phosphorylation to 3-phospho-D-glyceric acid (3PDGA) by cytosolic glycerate kinase (GLYCTK) (Gou et al. 2006). Defects in GLYCTK can cause D-glyceric aciduria (D-GA; MIM:220120), a rare inborn error of serine and fructose metabolism where DGA is excreted in large amounts in the urine. A variable phenotype is observed, ranging from severe mental retardation and death to milder speech delays and normal development (Van Schaftingen 1989, Sass et al. 2010).

Preceded by: [ALDH1A1 oxidises GA to DGA](#)

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