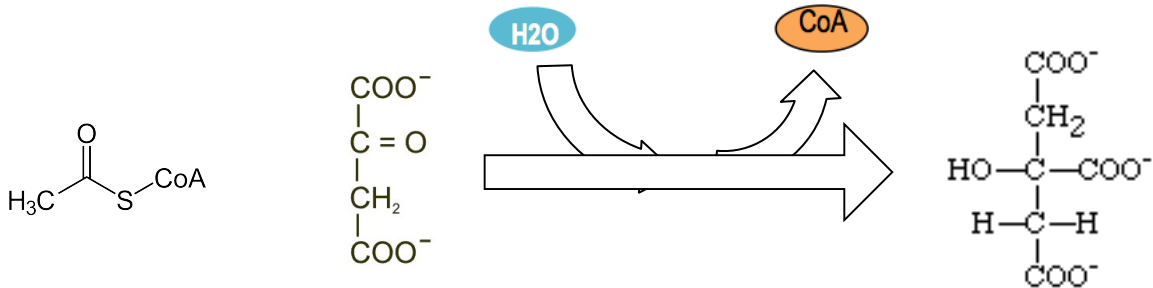


## CONCEPT: CITRIC ACID CYCLE

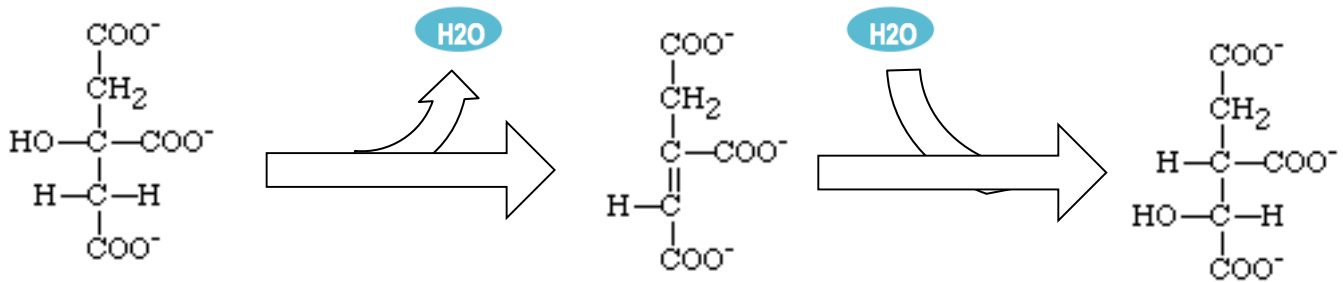
1. Citrate synthase ( $\Delta G'^{\circ} = -32 \text{ kJ/mol}$ ) – acetyl-CoA + oxaloacetate  $\rightarrow$  citrate

- Water is consumed in the reaction, and CoA is released



2. Aconitase ( $\Delta G'^{\circ} = 13 \text{ kJ/mol}$ ) – citrate  $\rightarrow$  *cis*-aconitate (enzymatic intermediate)  $\rightarrow$  isocitrate

- Removes water, then adds it back in
- Citrate is prochiral, meaning it's not chiral, but acts chiral because aconitase binds citrate in one orientation
- Fe-S complex held in active site by cysteine residues
- It is an iron response regulatory molecule; changes shape due to lack of iron, and can then bind RNA
  - Ferritin is produced when iron is high in blood, transferrin is produced when iron is low in blood



3. Isocitrate dehydrogenase ( $\Delta G'^{\circ} = -21 \text{ kJ/mol}$ ) – isocitrate  $\rightarrow$   $\alpha$ -ketoglutarate

- Generates NADH and releases  $\text{CO}_2$
- Oxidative decarboxylase that uses  $\text{NAD}^+$  or  $\text{NADP}^+$  as the electron acceptor, and  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$  as a cofactor
  - Does not use TPP, lipoate, FAD, CoA like pyruvate dehydrogenase or  $\alpha$ -ketoglutarate dehydrogenase

